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# LOVE SO LIFE

第8巻

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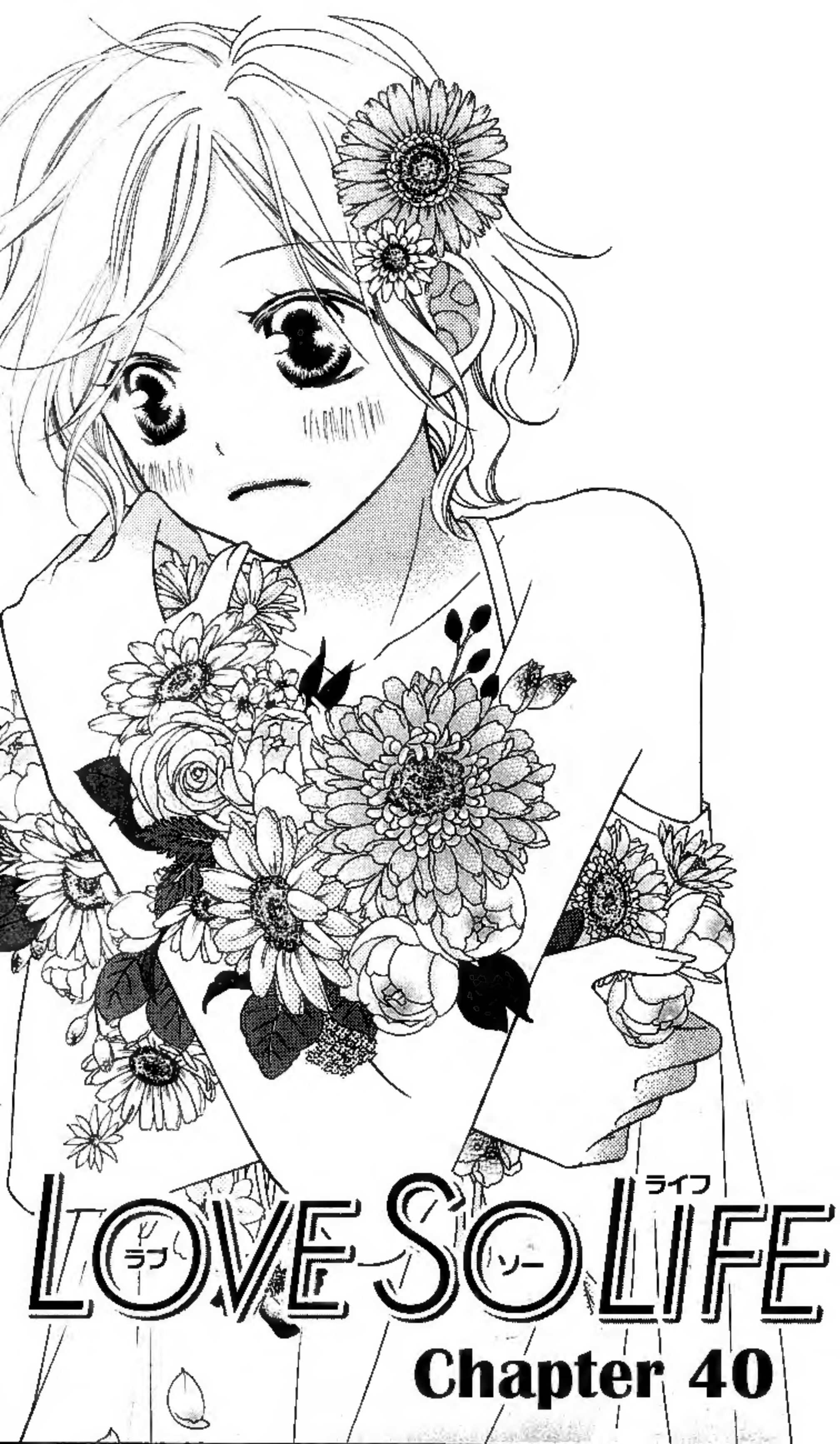
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# LOVE SOLIFE

Chapter 40





Advice...?

FROM: Miyagawa\* Takeru  
SUBJECT: Today

I have something I want to  
ask for your advice on, so  
tell me what time you'll be  
home tonight.

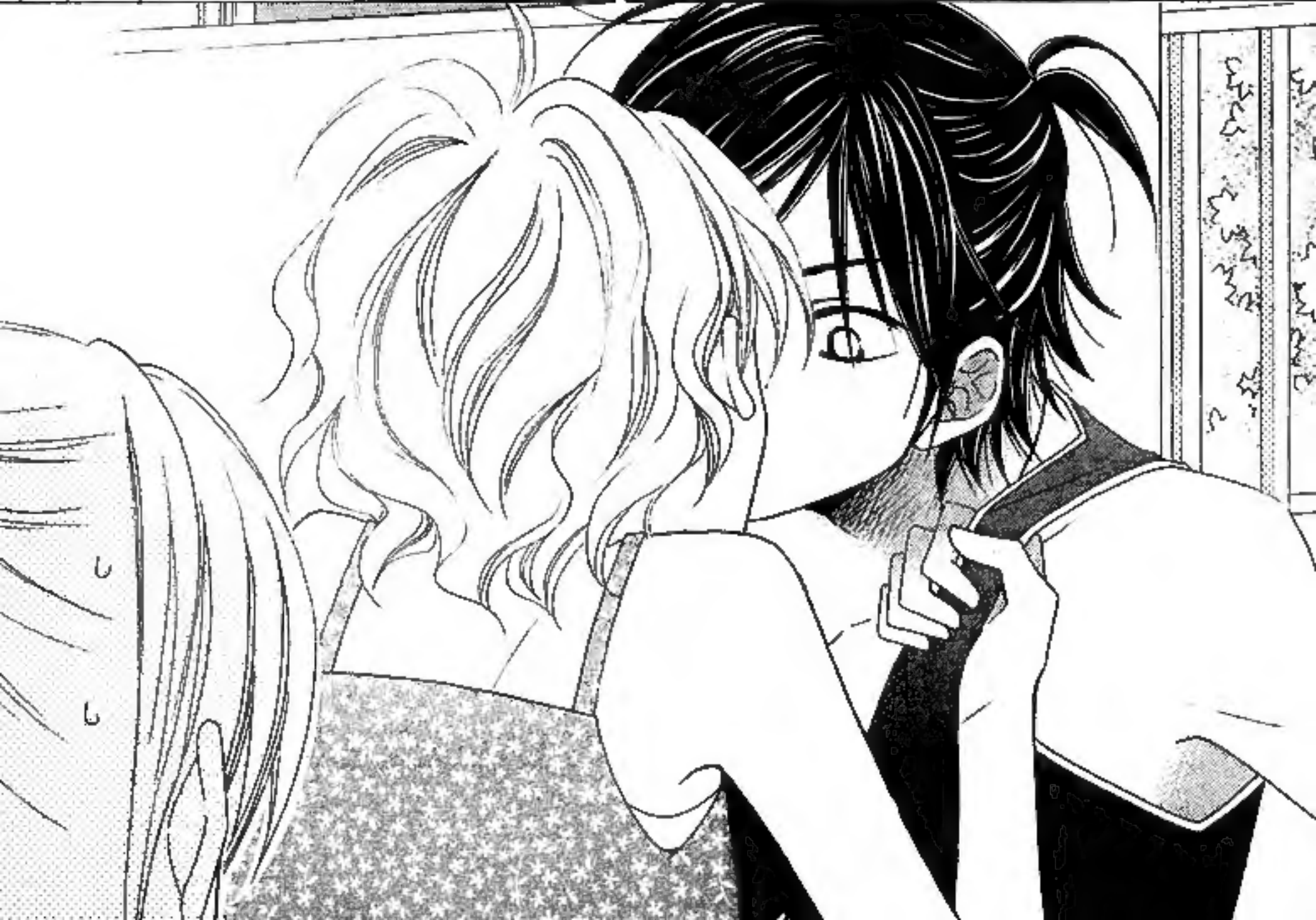
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?

TN: I don't remember what Takeru's last name is. According to the dictionary I used, this can be read Minagawa, Miyakawa, Miyagaya or Miyagawa, so I just picked one.



Turning back the clock a bit; 5 hours earlier——



Rio.

I want to take  
my time

the one who  
said that...

and get him to like  
me slowly...



accidentally  
went against  
the plan.



DON'T FORGET  
THAT I WAS  
THE ONE WHO  
K...

KISSED YOU  
FIRST!!

He  
never  
said  
that...

IF YOUR  
POLICY IS  
"FIRST  
COME,  
FIRST  
SERVED",  
THEN—

IF—





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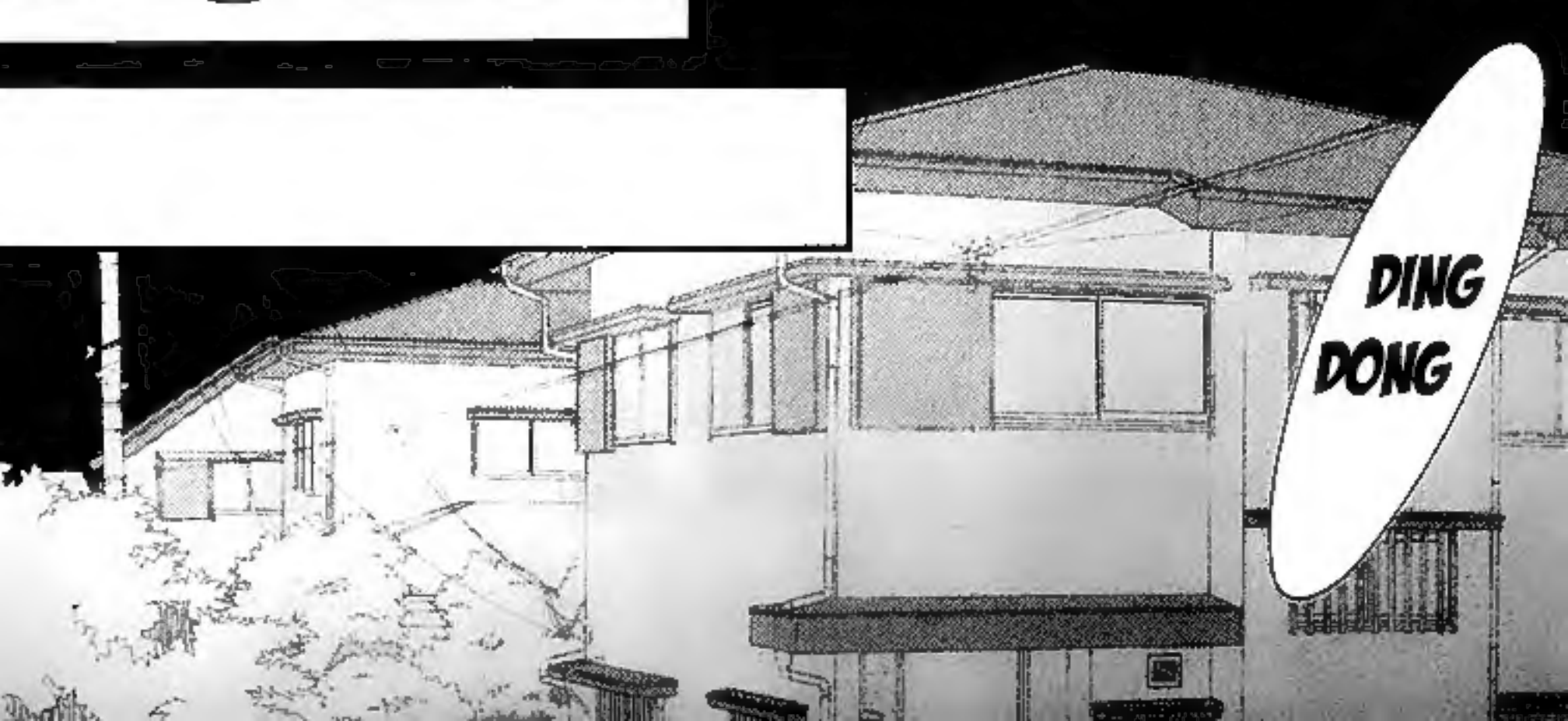




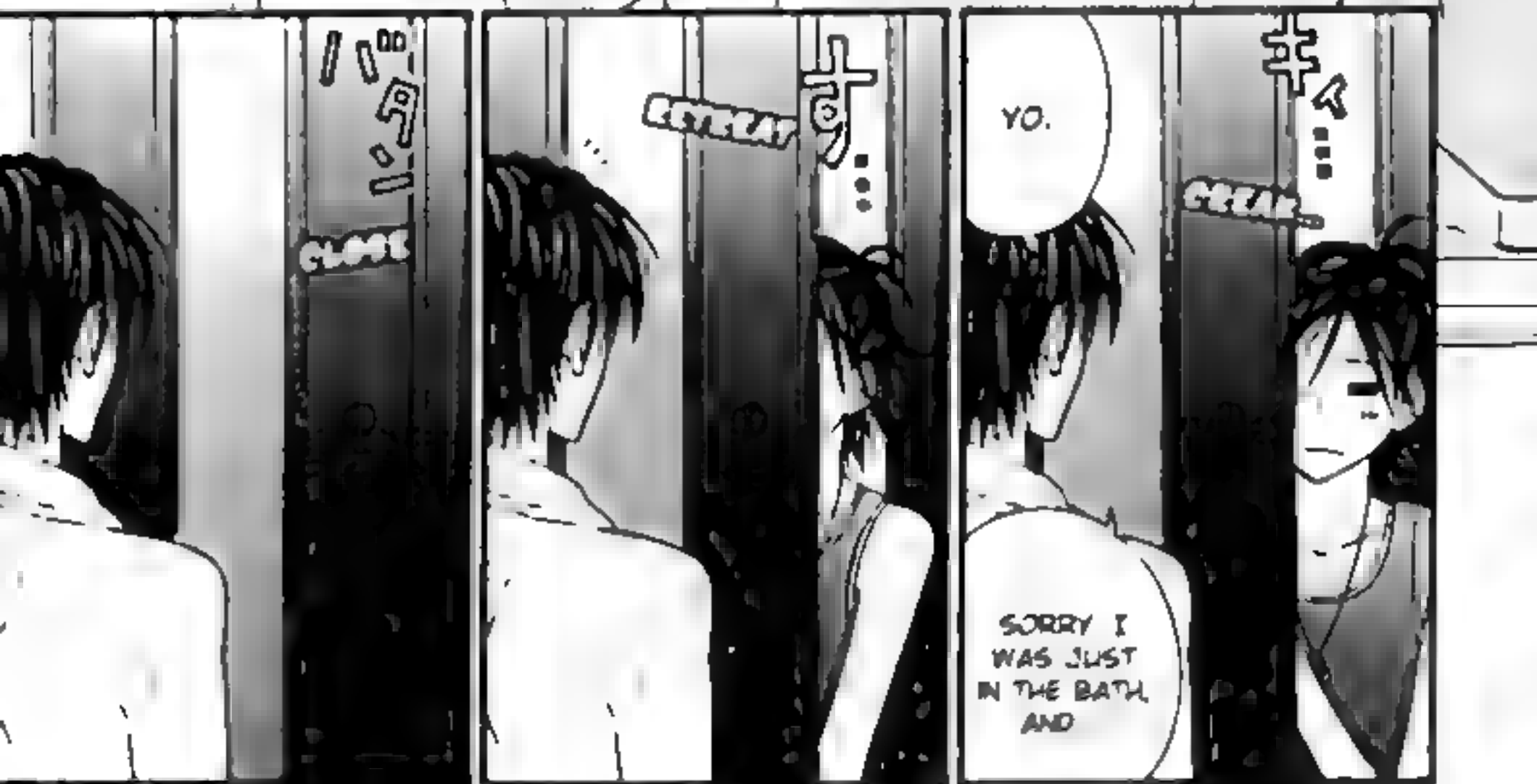


TN: Chuu is the noise a kiss makes.

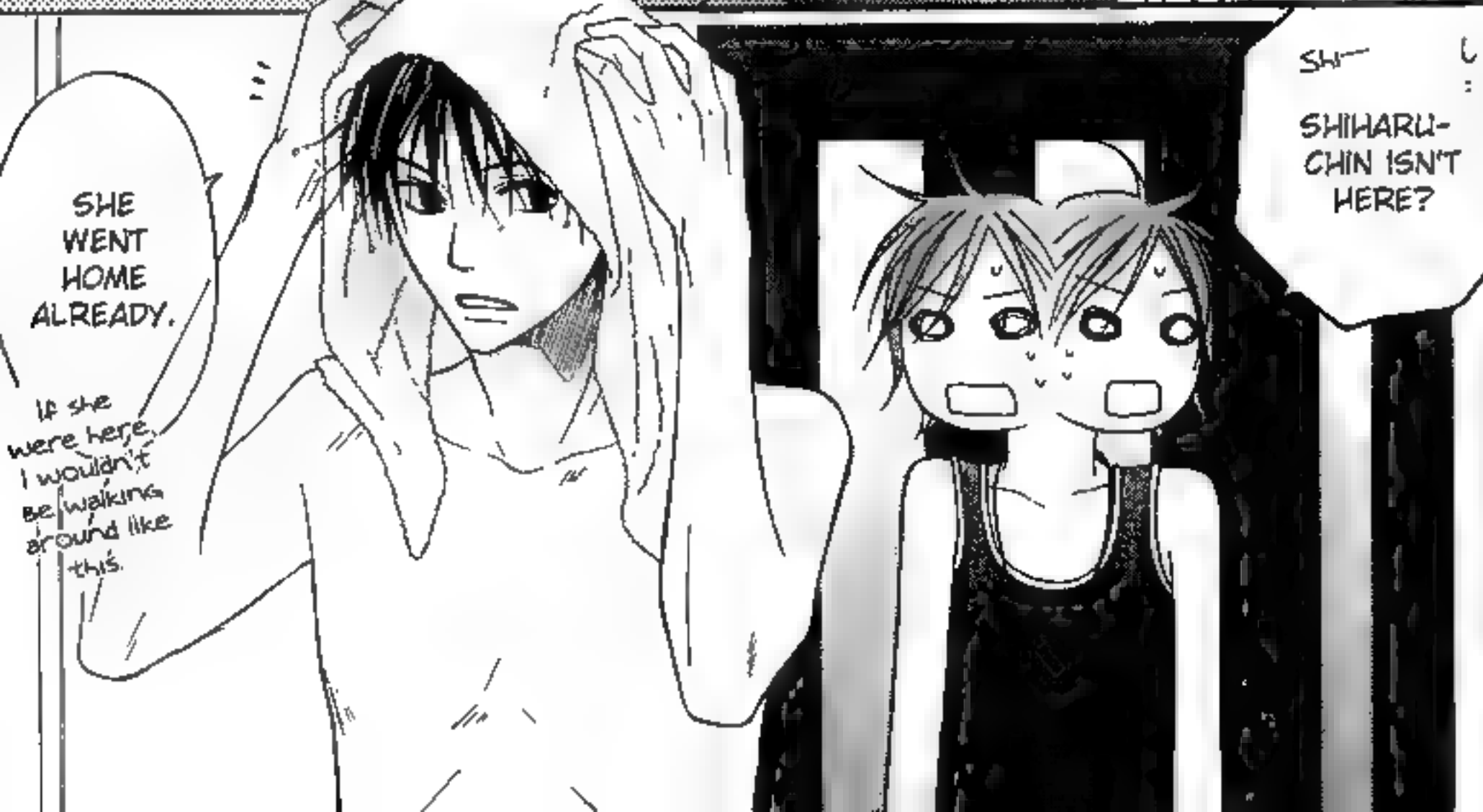
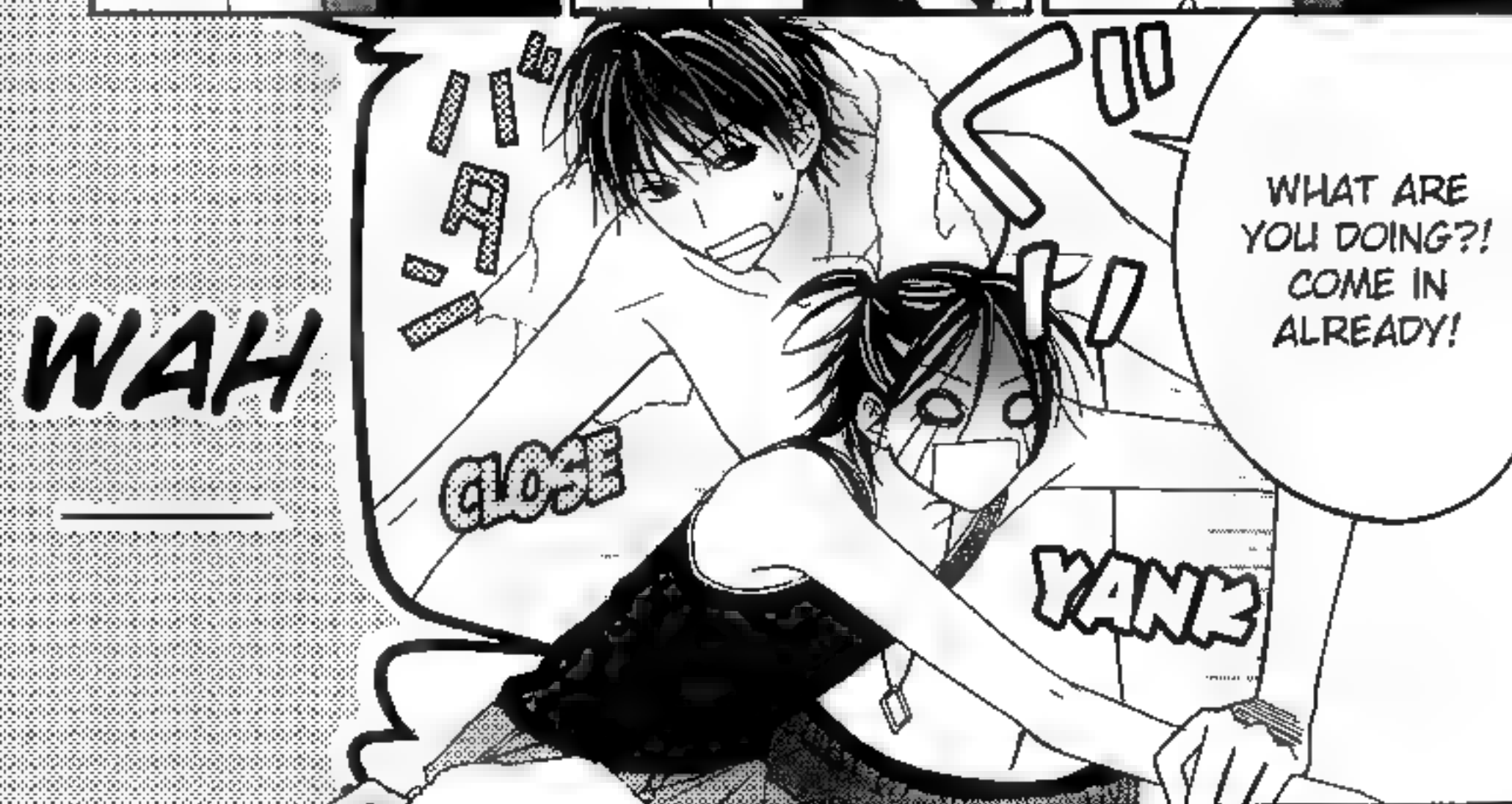




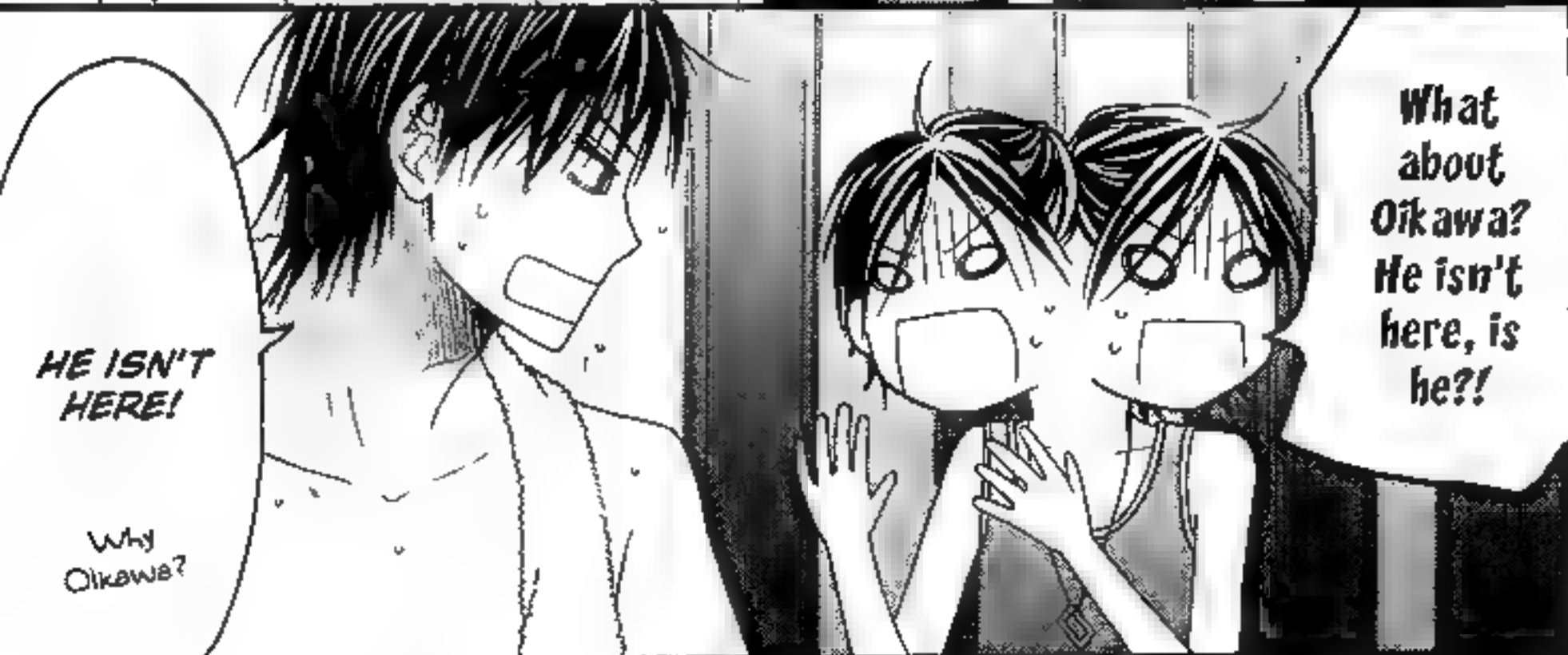
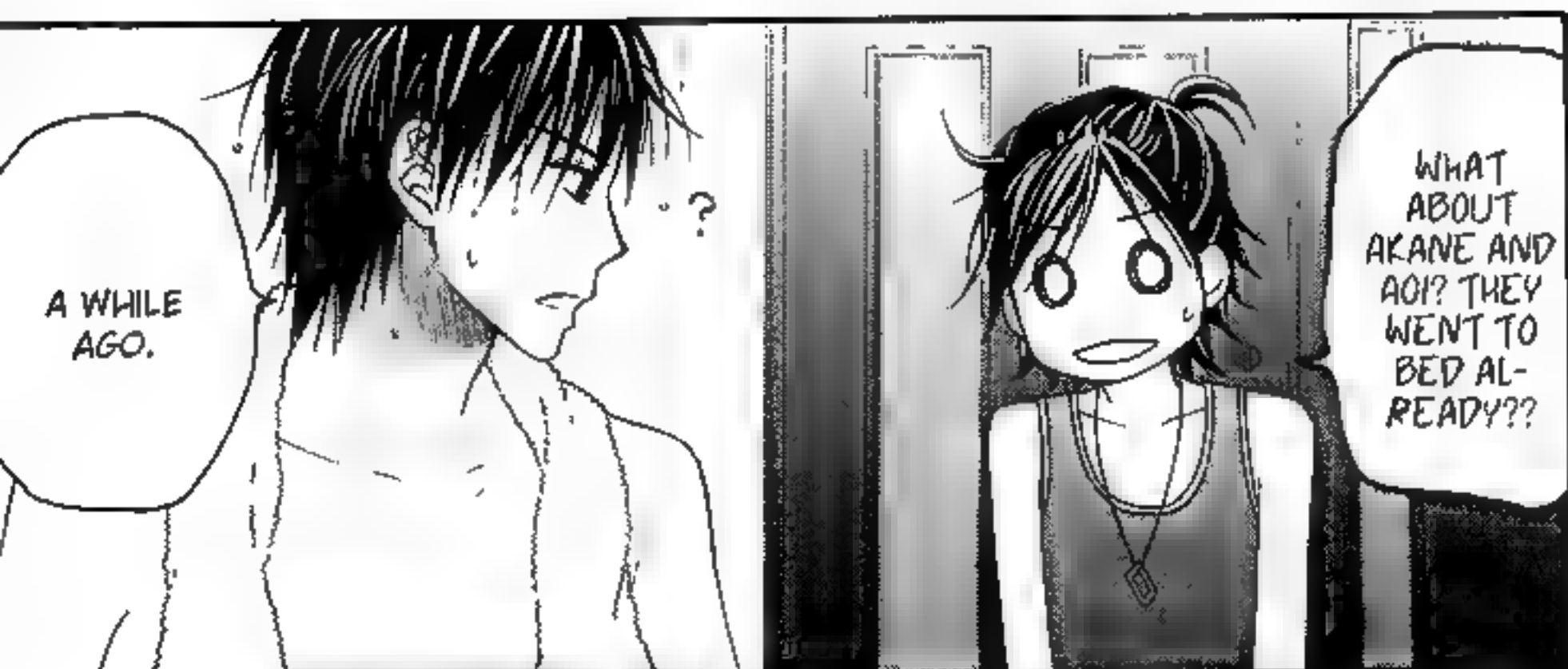




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...YEAH?

I've GOT THIS  
FRIEND YOU  
SEE



Uhm...

That is



GO OUT WITH  
THE ONE YOU  
LIKE MORE.

SAY A GUY WAS  
CONFESSED TO  
BY TWO GIRLS ON  
THE SAME DAY...

WHAT DO  
YOU THINK HE  
SHOULD DO?







THAT MAN IS  
PROBABLY BAD  
AT LYING AND  
NOT SKILLFUL  
AT ALL,

SO EVEN IF  
HE DATES  
SOMEONE  
OTHER THAN  
THE GIRL HE  
REALLY  
LIKES

THE TRUTH  
WILL SOON  
COME OUT,  
AND THE GIRL  
HE'S DATING  
WILL END UP  
GETTING HURT,  
RIGHT?

Sh?



Tha...

That's——!!







IF YOU WERE  
ANY MORE OF  
AN AIRHEAD  
YOU'D TURN  
INTO OIKAWA!

DON'T  
LOOK SO  
SHOCKED!

IT'S YOUR  
FAULT FOR  
"UNINTEN-  
TIONALLY"  
SAYING  
OK RIGHT  
AWAY!



That girl and  
that one  
too.  
they're  
all just  
so cute!  
♡



"DATING"...

B...  
BUT...

STUFF LIKE  
THAT... I  
DON'T GET  
IT! WHAT  
DOES "LOVE"  
MEAN?

HOW IS IT  
DIFFERENT  
FROM  
FRIENDSHIP..?

AND "LOVE" ...  
WHAT DO  
THEY MEAN...?



WA-GH



CA...

CALM  
DOWN!

SEI-CHAN,  
I'VE NEVER  
REALLY DATED  
BEFORE, SO I  
REALLY DON'T  
UNDERSTAND!  
TELL ME!!!  
WHAT IS  
"LOVE"?!?



WHAT  
KIND OF  
SCHOOL  
ARE YOU  
GOING  
TO?!

THOSE  
GUYS AT  
SCHOOL  
ARE ALL  
JUST A  
BUNCH  
OF PIGS!

Don't ask  
an adult!

TALK ABOUT  
EMBARRASS-  
ING TOPICS  
LIKE THAT WITH  
GUYS FROM  
COLLEGE UNTIL  
MORNING!

IN GENERAL...  
THE DEFINITION  
OF "LOVE"  
DIFFERS FROM  
PERSON TO  
PERSON, RIGHT?



WHAT'S WITH THIS  
INTERROGATION??

THEN...

WHAT IS  
SEI-CHAN'S  
TAKE ON  
"LOVE"?





Eh?

NO,  
THAT'S  
NOT...

HUH?

?

Slide

GASP

GROGGY

SORRY!  
DID WE  
WAKE  
YOU UP,  
AOI?





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NO...

It was  
kinda

SORRY  
AGAIN...

ABOUT YOUR  
PANTS

...WELL,  
I'LL GO  
HOME  
THEN...

THANK  
YOU VERY  
MUCH.

Borrowed  
Item

That defeats the  
purpose of wearing  
a diaper at all--

I'll lend you  
some pants,  
so take those  
off and I'll wash  
them for you.

ABOUT OUR  
CONVERSATION  
TODAY, OK?

PLEASE  
DON'T TELL  
ANYONE

When did this  
turn into a  
"chat between  
buddies"?

Sure







3~ Heh



That Takeru  
is...

starting to think  
about stuff like  
love...



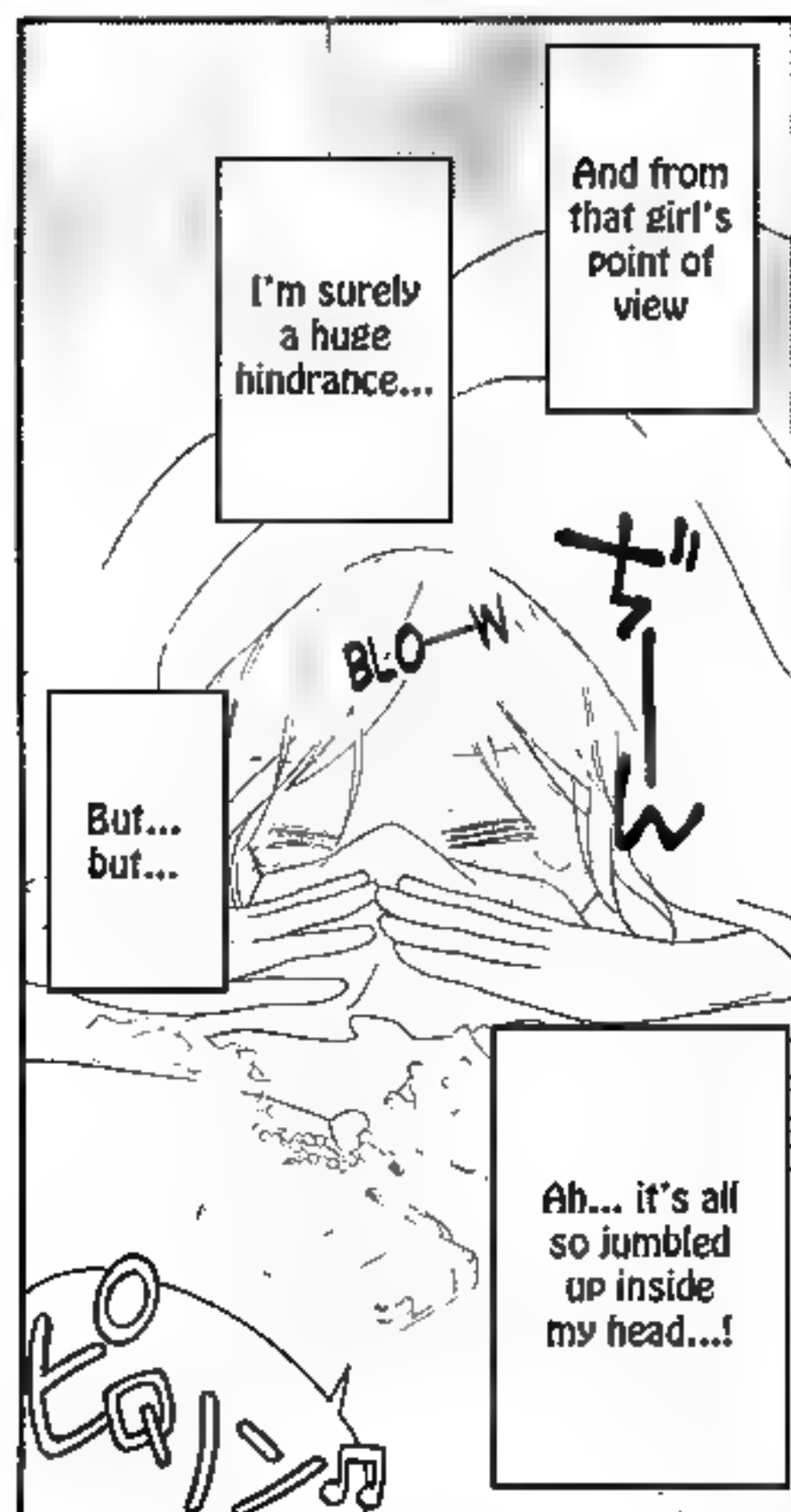
These two...  
I wonder if  
one day

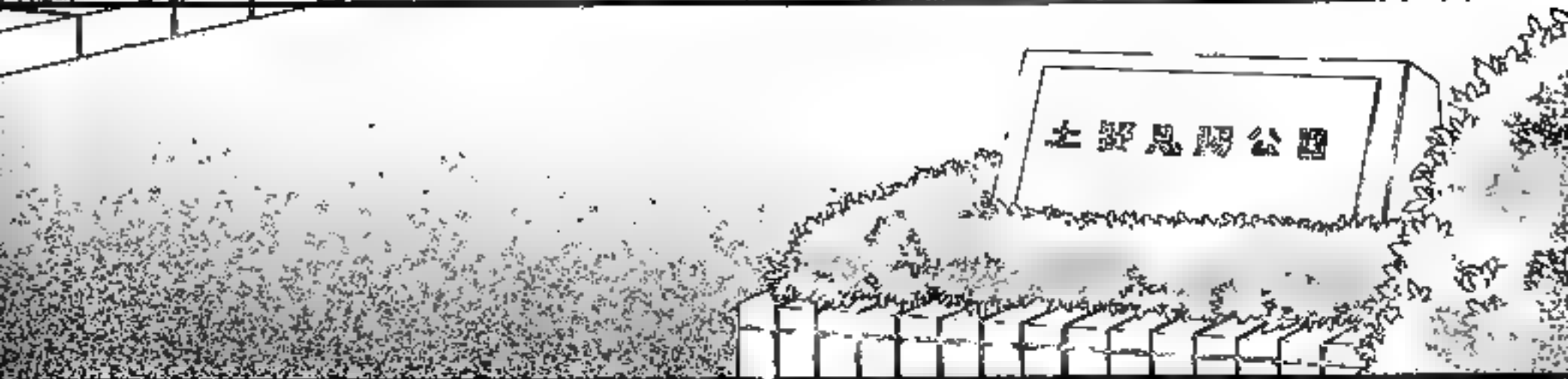
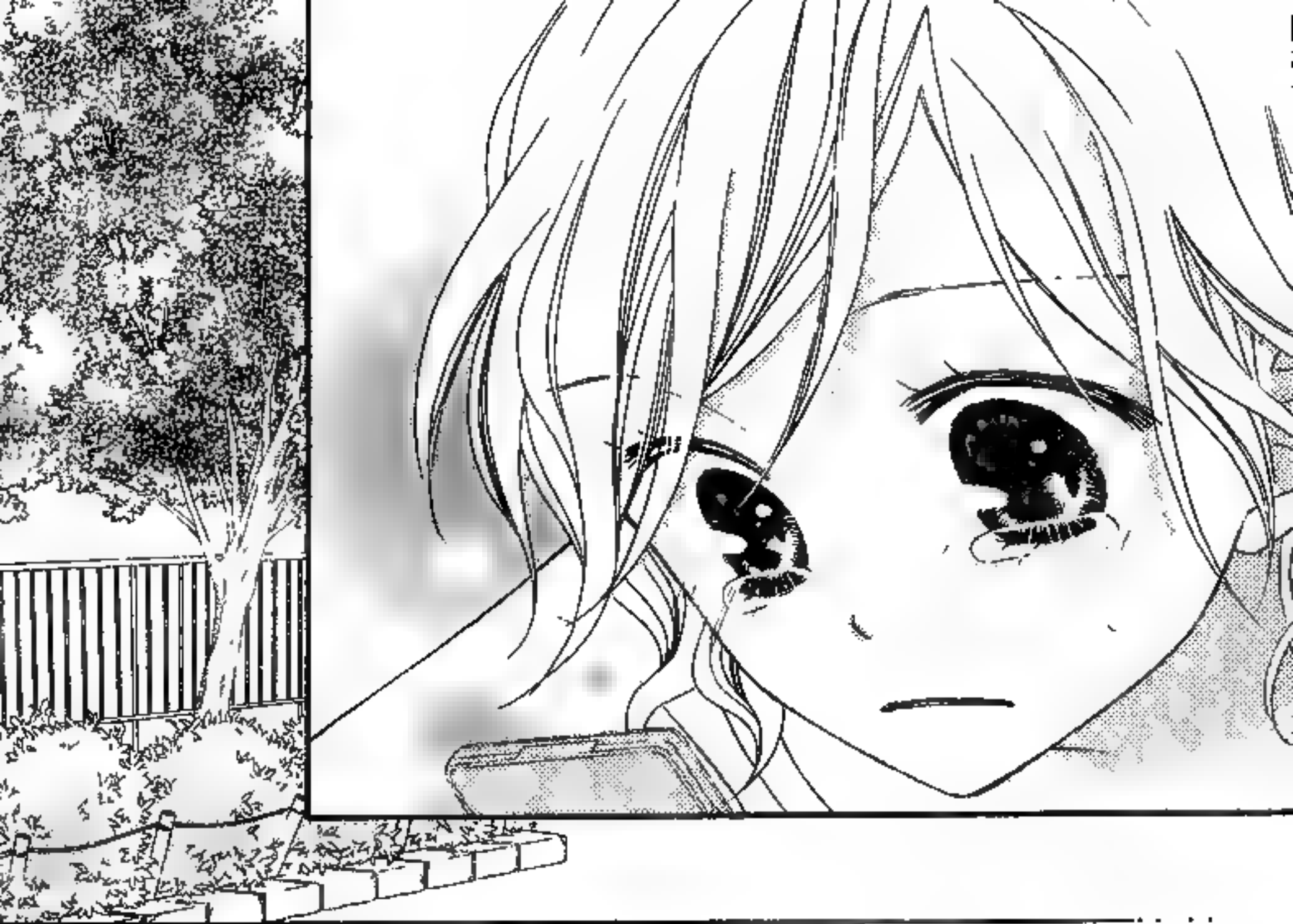
they too will  
worry about  
that kind of  
thing...





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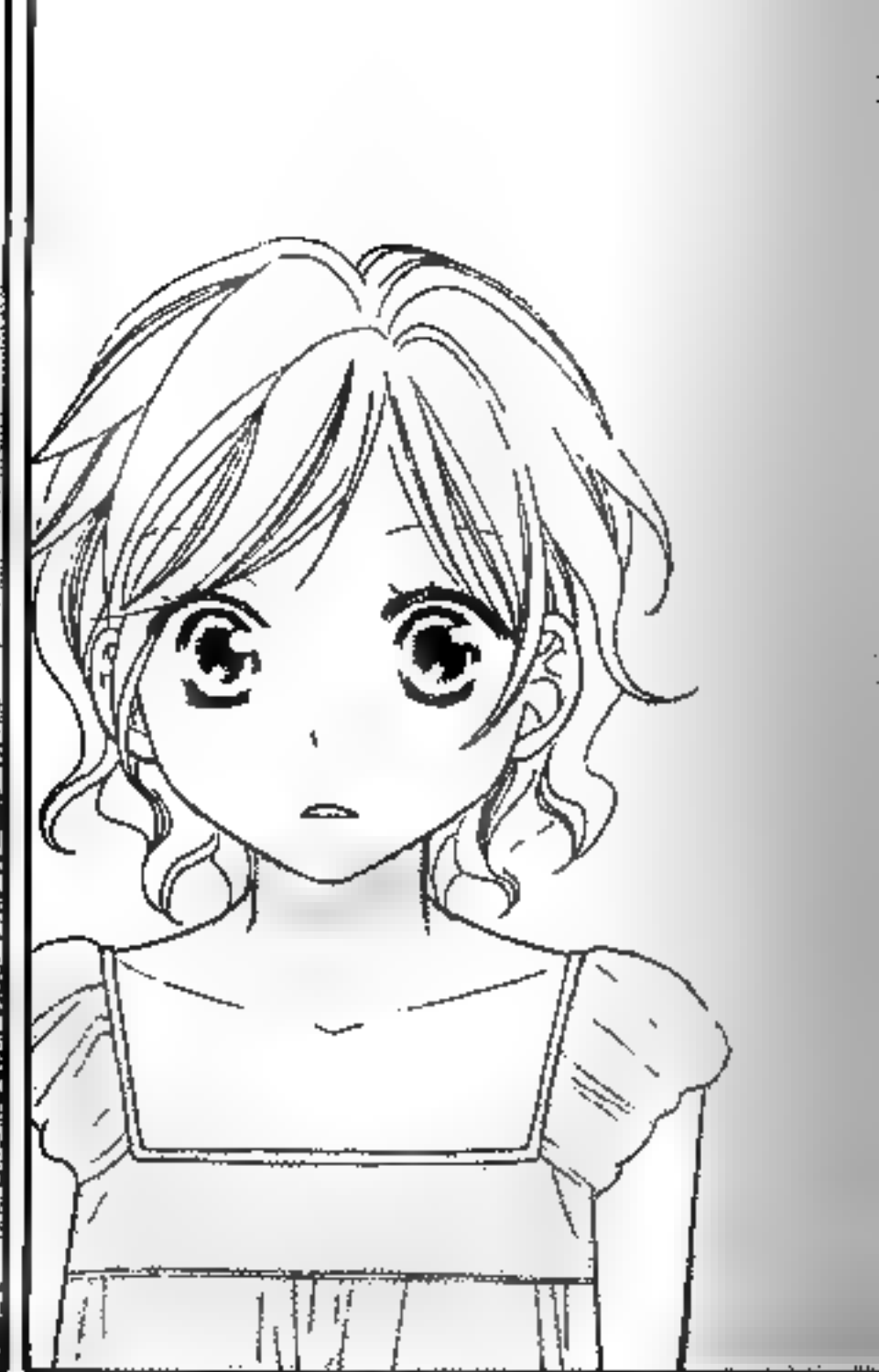






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Wanting to always  
be together...



WANT TO BE

TOGETHER WITH  
RIO-CCHI MORE  
OFTEN.

WILLIAM  
MC

HONESTLY... I  
DON'T REALLY  
UNDERSTAND  
WHAT "LOVE" IS,  
BUT... WELL...

I also love my family  
and friends.

BUT... WHEN I  
THINK ABOUT  
WHO I WANT TO  
BE WITH THE  
MOST RIGHT  
NOW...







Even though it was a love that should have unfolded slowly, without rushing...



I certainly ended up taking a risky bet...



...but it couldn't be helped.

"Well then,  
Rio-cchi"

"With  
this..."

we're even!"

These feelings

won't be stopped by anyone!





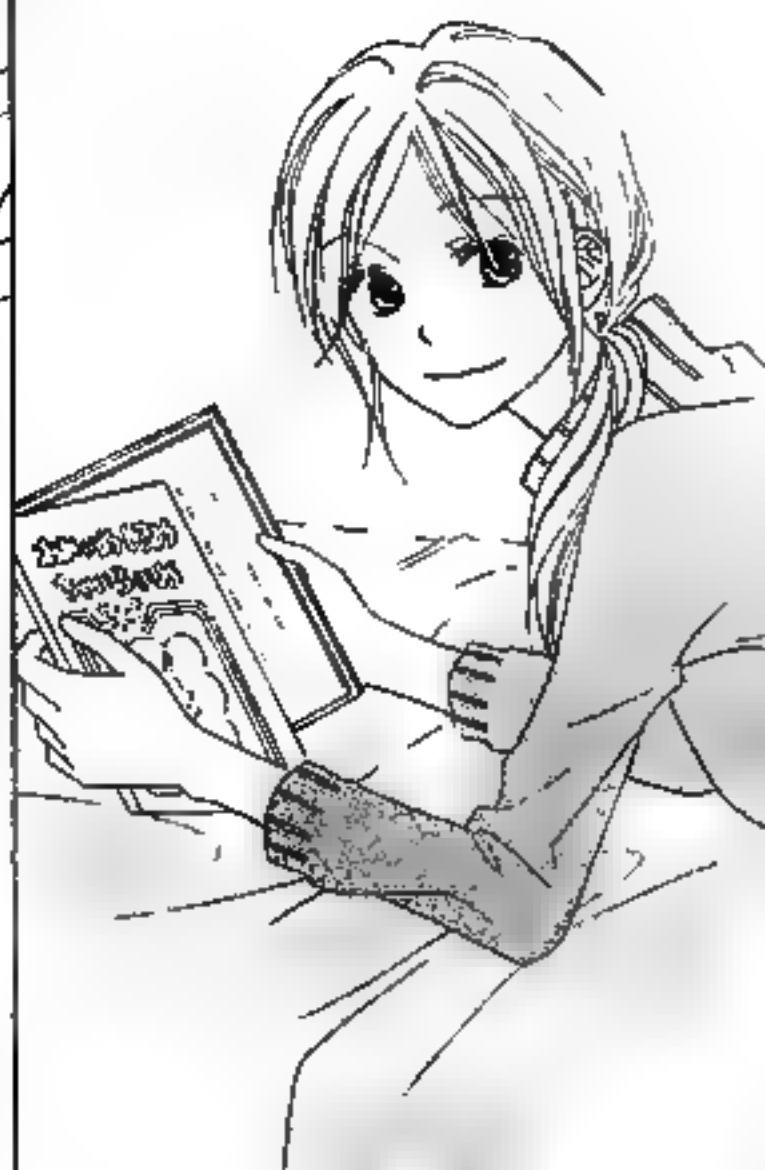
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“What if...”

Although it's  
unending—



When I end up  
thinking

things like



That is

NAKAMURA-SAN.

Sneak



all of a sudden,

THERE'S

Without notice.

SOMETHING I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT, BUT ...

DO YOU HAVE A MOMENT?

...YES.

GRANDPARENTS ON THEIR... DECEASED MOTHER'S SIDE, THEY ARE LIVING IN SHIZUOKA RIGHT NOW.

AKANE AND AOI'S

IT'S ABOUT

WHAT WE DISCUSSED EARLIER.



YEAH,  
BUT,

IT'S GOING  
VERY  
WELL,  
SO...

SHE'S  
BEEN  
SAYING  
THAT

ONCE SHE'S  
DISCHARGED FROM  
THE HOSPITAL, SHE  
WANTS THE TWO OF  
THEM... TO COME  
LIVE WITH HER.

BUT, THE  
TRUTH IS...  
THEIR GRAND-  
MOTHER WAS IN  
AN ACCIDENT  
SOME TIME  
AGO

AND IS  
CURRENTLY DOING  
REHABILITATION AT  
A HOSPITAL HERE  
IN TOKYO.

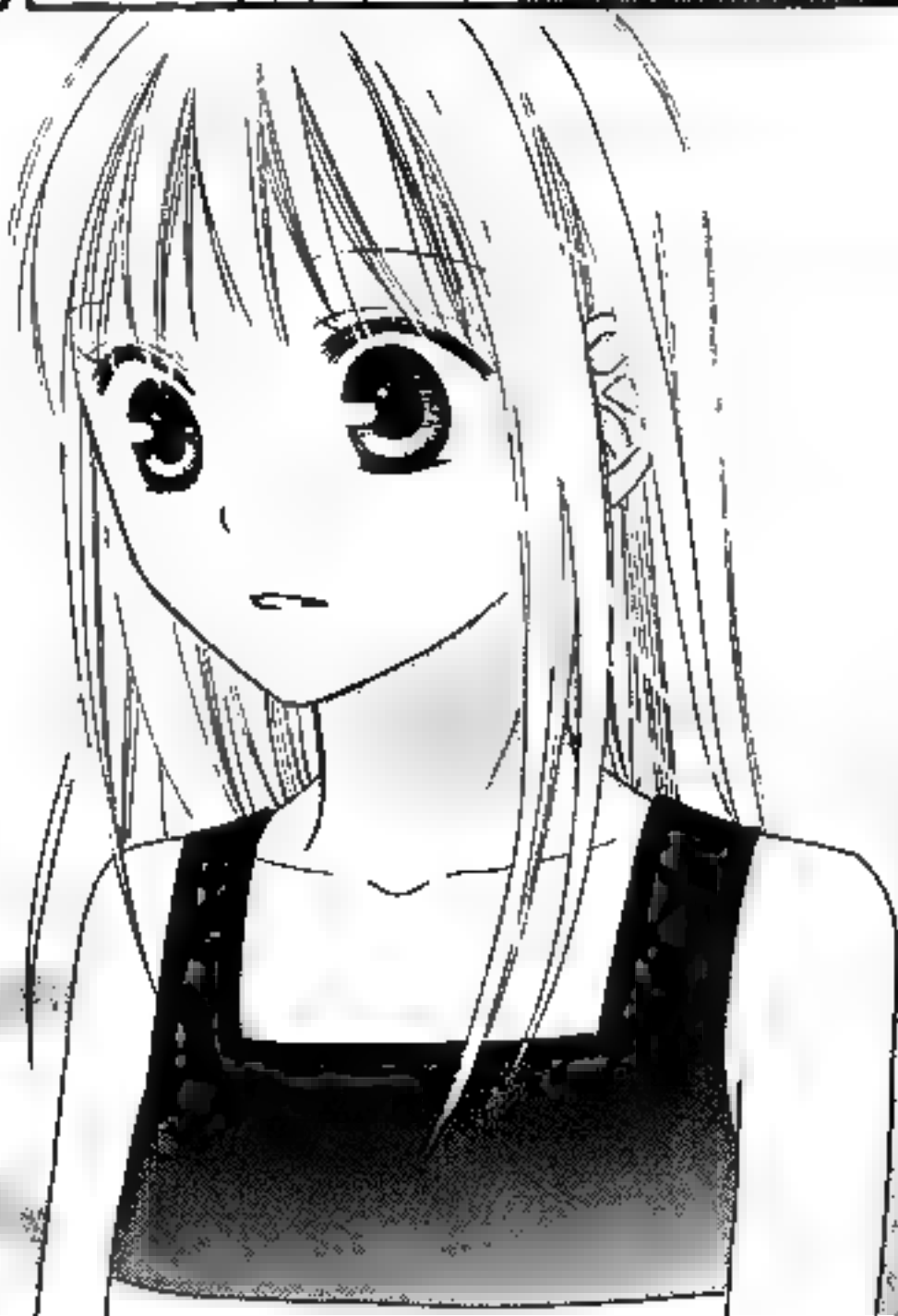
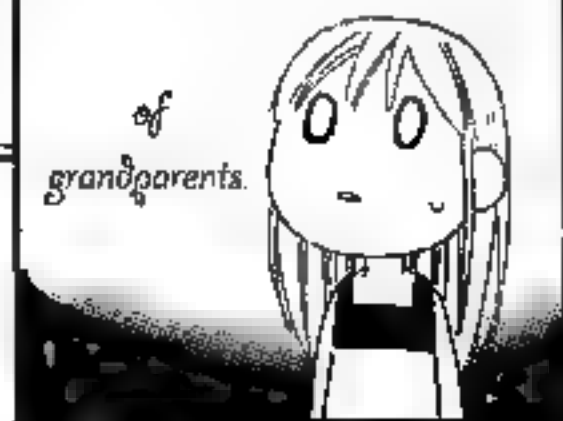
EH?!

AN  
ACCIDENT  
...?!

Oh, that's right.  
Usually people  
have two sets

of  
grandparents.

On their  
mothers  
side ?





AS FOR MY BROTHER,

BOTH MY PARENTS AND MY SISTER-IN-LAW'S PARENTS HAVE PRETTY MUCH COMPLETELY GIVEN UP ON HIM...

UH... UM, BUT,

WHAT ABOUT YOUR ELDER BROTHER...?



WE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO HAVE FAITH IN A PERSON WITH A TRACK RECORD OF HAVING ABANDONED HIS CHILDREN FOR MORE THAN A YEAR...

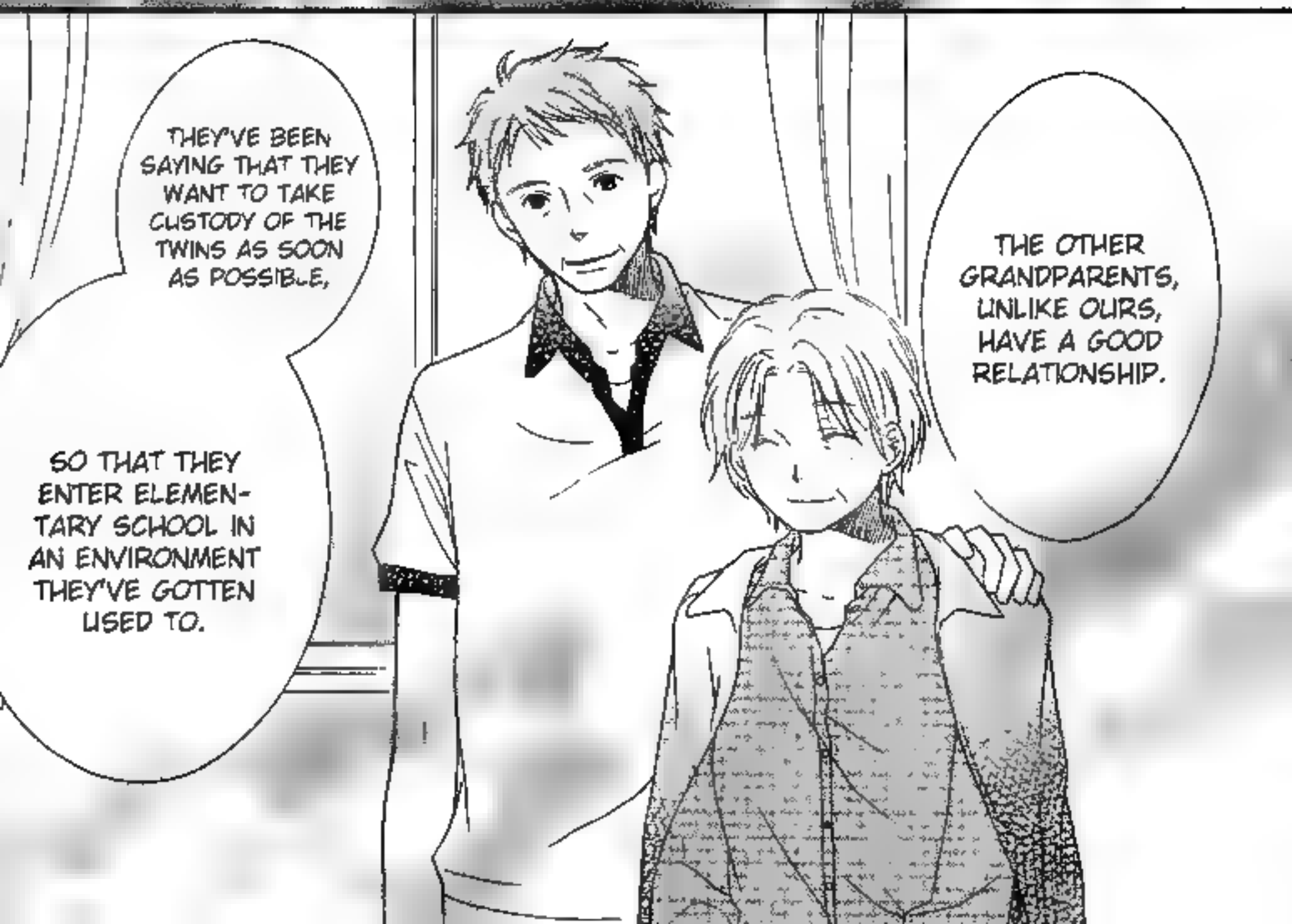
EVEN SUPPOSING

WE WERE TO FIND HIM AFTER THIS,



BA=THUMP

OH...



THEY'VE BEEN SAYING THAT THEY WANT TO TAKE CUSTODY OF THE TWINS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,

SO THAT THEY ENTER ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOL IN AN ENVIRONMENT THEY'VE GOTTEN USED TO.

THE OTHER GRANDPARENTS, UNLIKE OURS, HAVE A GOOD RELATIONSHIP.





This is how  
it should be but

after all,

YEAH...  
I GUESS  
SO.

AH...

LI-M  
...

THAT IS...  
ROUGHLY...  
AROUND  
WHEN WILL IT  
HAPPEN...?

she will make

THEY SAID THAT  
FOR HER TO  
BECOME ABLE TO  
FUNCTION IN DAILY  
LIFE WITHOUT HIN-  
DRANCE IT WILL  
PROBABLY TAKE  
AROUND ONE YEAR.

IT ALSO  
DEPENDS ON  
THE EXTENT OF  
HER RECOVERY,  
SO IT'S HARD  
TO SAY PRE-  
CISELY, BUT...

that kind of  
expression, huh?

THAT...



UM,

THIS IS  
JUST MY  
OWN  
SELFISH  
DESIRE,  
BUT...

AH,

BESIDES  
THAT,  
THERE'S  
ONE MORE  
THING.

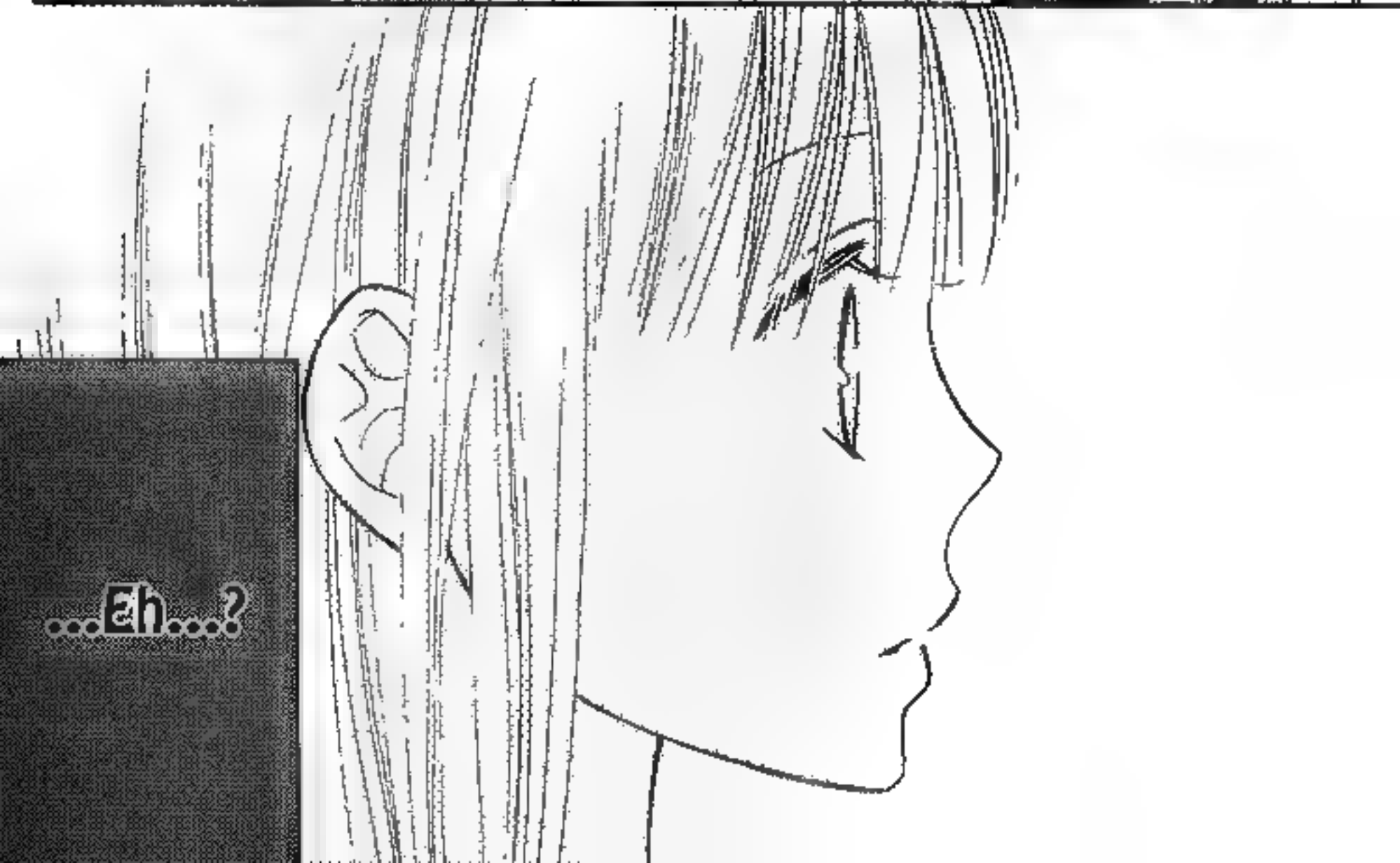
...I SEE...



WOULD IT  
BE OKAY TO  
BRING US  
ALONG WITH  
YOU?

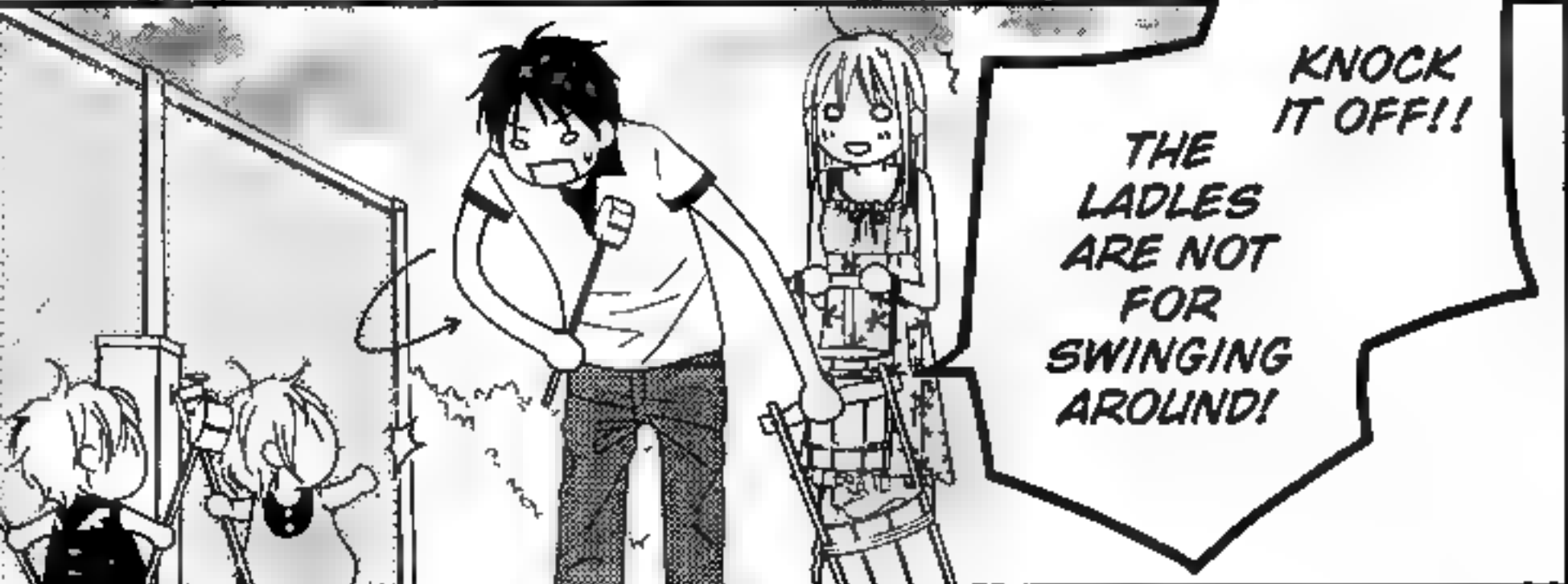
NEXT  
TIME

WHEN YOU  
GO TO VISIT  
YOUR  
PARENTS'  
GRAVE,



...Eh...?







DON'T  
MENTION  
IT...

I'M INDEBTED  
TO YOU FOR MANY  
THINGS, SO

AT LEAST ONCE,  
I WANTED TO BE  
ABLE TO PAY MY  
RESPECTS PRO-  
PERLY TO YOUR  
PARENTS.

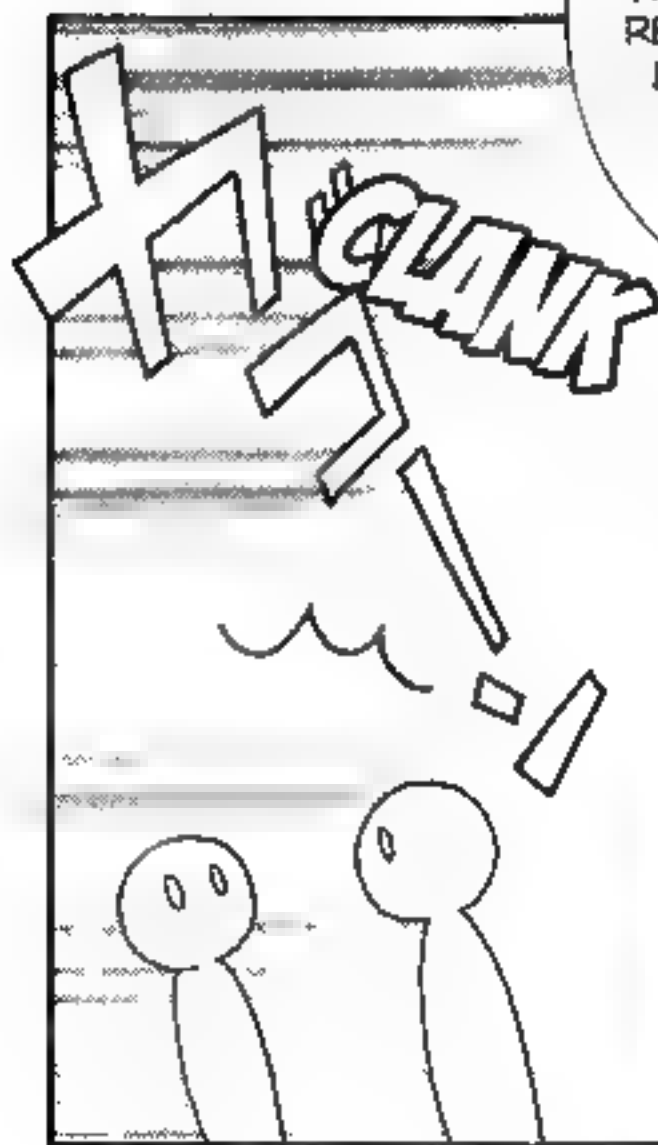


NO...  
BUT,  
UM...

SORRY...  
THAT THEY  
AREN'T  
BEHAVING  
WITH APPRO-  
PRIATE  
SOBRIETY...

Me too,  
actually

THERE'S  
NO NEED TO  
APOLOGIZE..You've already  
gone out of your  
way to accom-  
pany me here

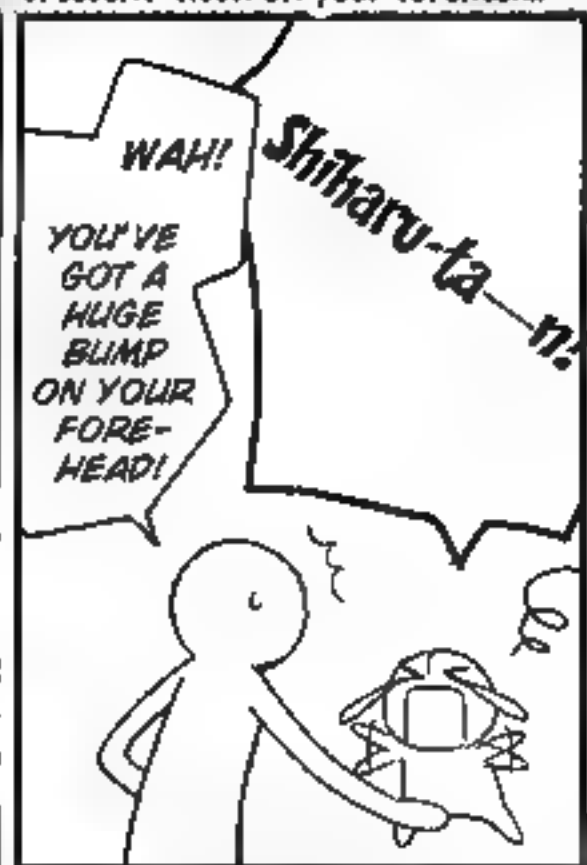




TN: It actually says "you've got a crescent moon on your forehead."



...IS THIS  
YOUR  
DOING...?



WAH!

YOU'VE  
GOT A  
HUGE  
BLUMP  
ON YOUR  
FORE-  
HEAD!

Shiharuta-n!



WHATEVER  
THE CASE,  
DIDN'T I JUST  
TELL YOU  
THAT THE  
LADLES ARE  
NOT FOR  
SWINGING  
AROUND ?!

So, I

It hurt!

N-not Ao's  
fault!! Akane's  
the one...  
she... it's her  
fault! She  
bonked Ao's  
back!

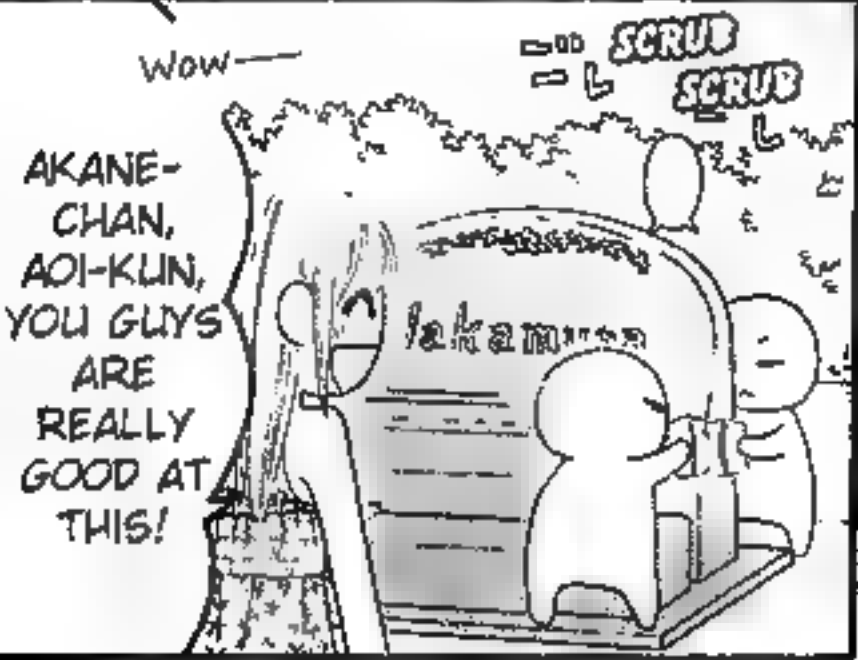




MY MOTHER...  
IT SEEMS  
SHE PLANTED  
IT FOR MY  
FATHER'S  
SAKE.

Thank you  
very much!

WHAT A  
NICE PLACE.  
THERE'S A  
LOT OF  
GREENERY...



WOW—  
AKANE-  
CHAN,  
AOI-KUN,  
YOU GUYS  
ARE  
REALLY  
GOOD AT  
THIS!



Eh —  
Clean — ?

First  
of all, ALRIGHT!  
WE  
SHOULD  
ALL CLEAN IT  
TOGETHER



SCRUB  
SCRUB  
SCRUB

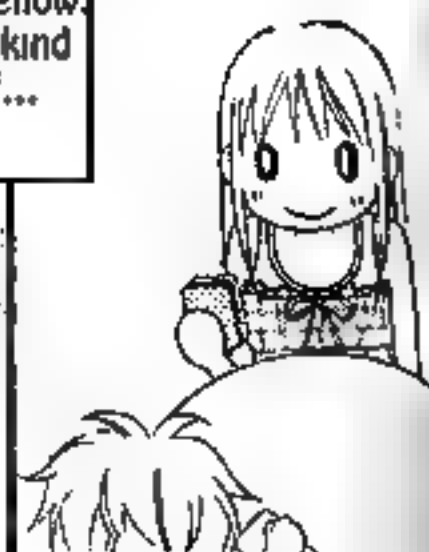
**The flowers!**

ALRIGHT,  
LET'S PLACE  
THE FLOW-  
ERS HERE.

Matsuna-  
ga-san  
and them  
coming to  
visit  
mama's  
grave with  
me.

Mysterious.

Somehow,  
it's kind  
of...



mura

What kind of  
scene would it have  
become?

mama  
were still  
alive.

What if

What kind of

she had the  
opportunity  
to meet  
Matsunaga-  
san face-to-  
face.

And  
what if





Story

would we  
have to  
tell about  
it. I  
wonder?



IT'S NICE  
TO MEET  
YOU.







TN: She's referring to the hand gesture and bowing of the head, which is similar to when saying "itadakimasu" before eating.



THAT'S  
NOT IT!

Sei-tan  
is saying  
"itadakimasu"?



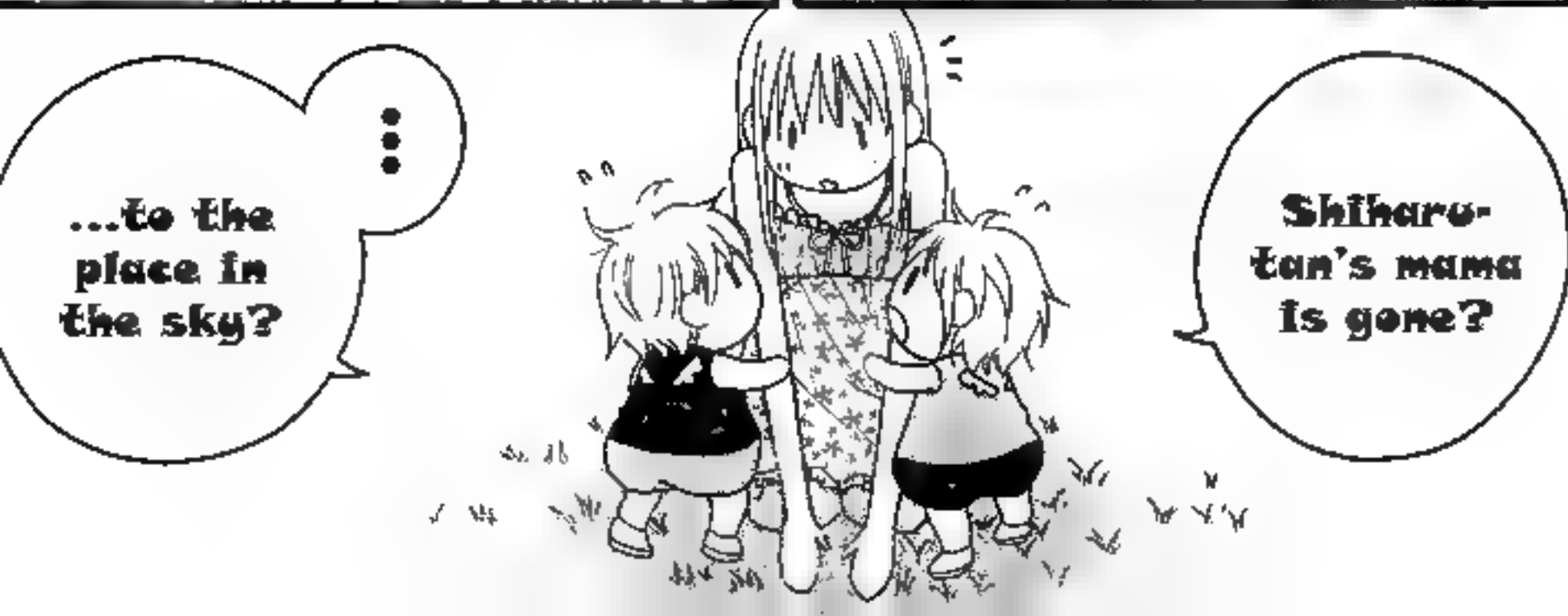
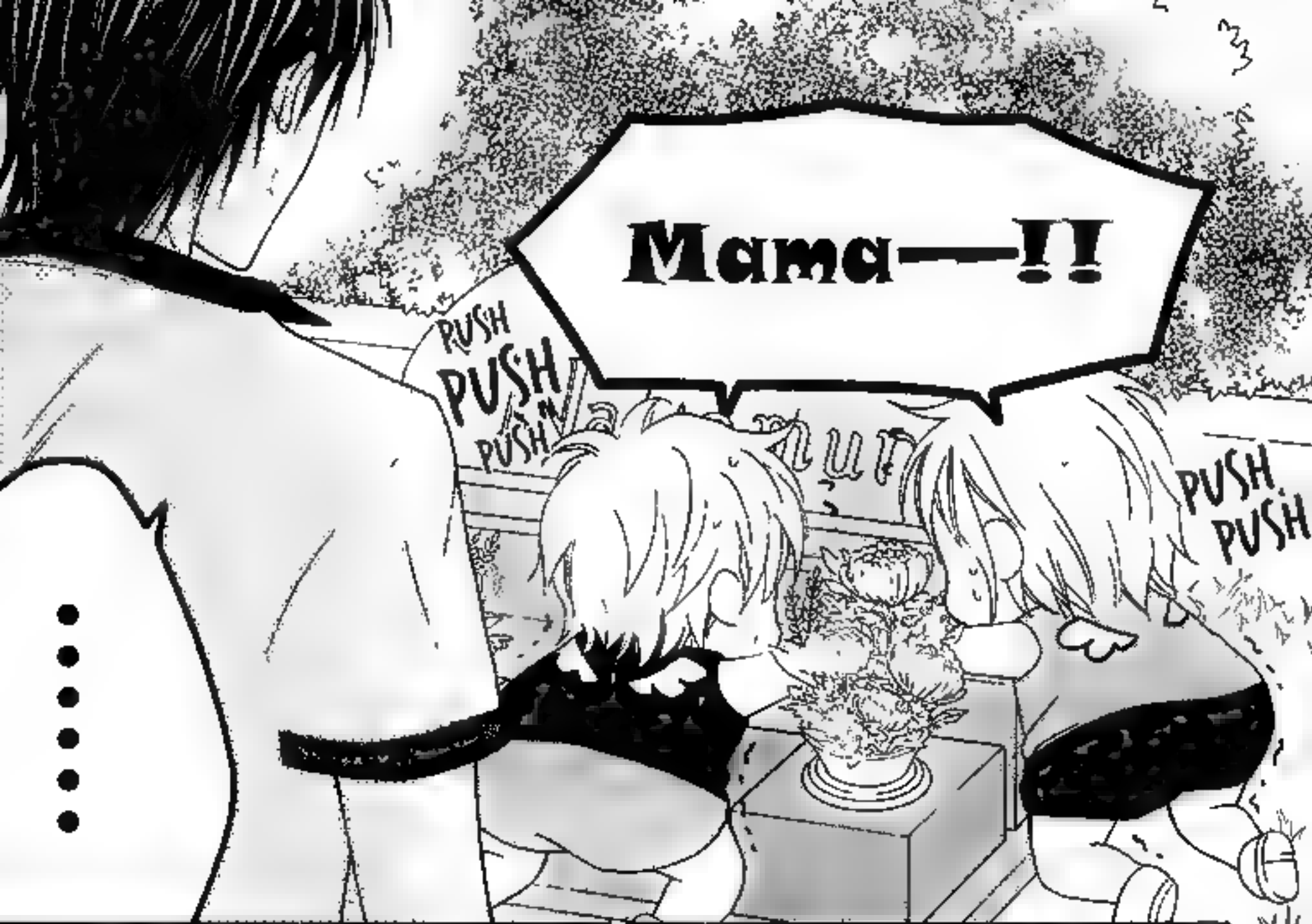
Her mama  
is?!

Pray for her  
happiness in the  
afterlife

NAKAMURA-  
SAN'S  
MOTHER...

HER MAMA,  
IS SLEEPING  
IN THIS  
GRAVE, SO  
WE HAVE TO  
DO THIS...

Put your  
hands  
together,  
and



Mama's cloud!

PERHAPS  
BOTH OF OUR  
MAMAS ARE  
CHATTING  
WITH EACH  
OTHER RIGHT  
NOW, IN THE  
PLACE IN THE  
SKY!

...  
YEAH.

THAT'S  
RIGHT... I'M  
THE SAME AS  
YOU TWO.

**GRIN**

The same...

Akane  
is——  
the same as  
Shiharu-tan!

よ  
じ  
よ  
じ  
**CLIMB**  
**CLIMB**



2

What if

were a real  
family with these  
two

—would  
we always  
be able to be  
together?



When their  
grandmother  
becomes healthy

Get out  
of the way!

GRUMPY

EH?

AOI-KUN!  
MY RIGHT  
ARM IS  
STILL FREE!

Look!

No~~~~!

We'll have  
to part



This is because I  
wasn't able to main-  
tain a proper distance  
like I was told to by  
the principal at the  
daycare



...Ah.

I'm lonely .

It's still in  
the future.

Even  
though  
...

What  
should I  
do?

Some-  
how

I just  
can't

smile  
honestly...

NAKAMURA-  
SAN.



ARE YOU  
OKAY?

YOU  
LOOK

A BIT  
PALE...

Huh?

H—





tears  
come  
out

When I'm  
touched by  
Matsuna  
ga san.

I'M  
SORRY...

EH... N-  
NAKAMU-  
RA-SAN?!

So why  
is it  
that...

like a tightly  
tied string



Suddenly

coming completely

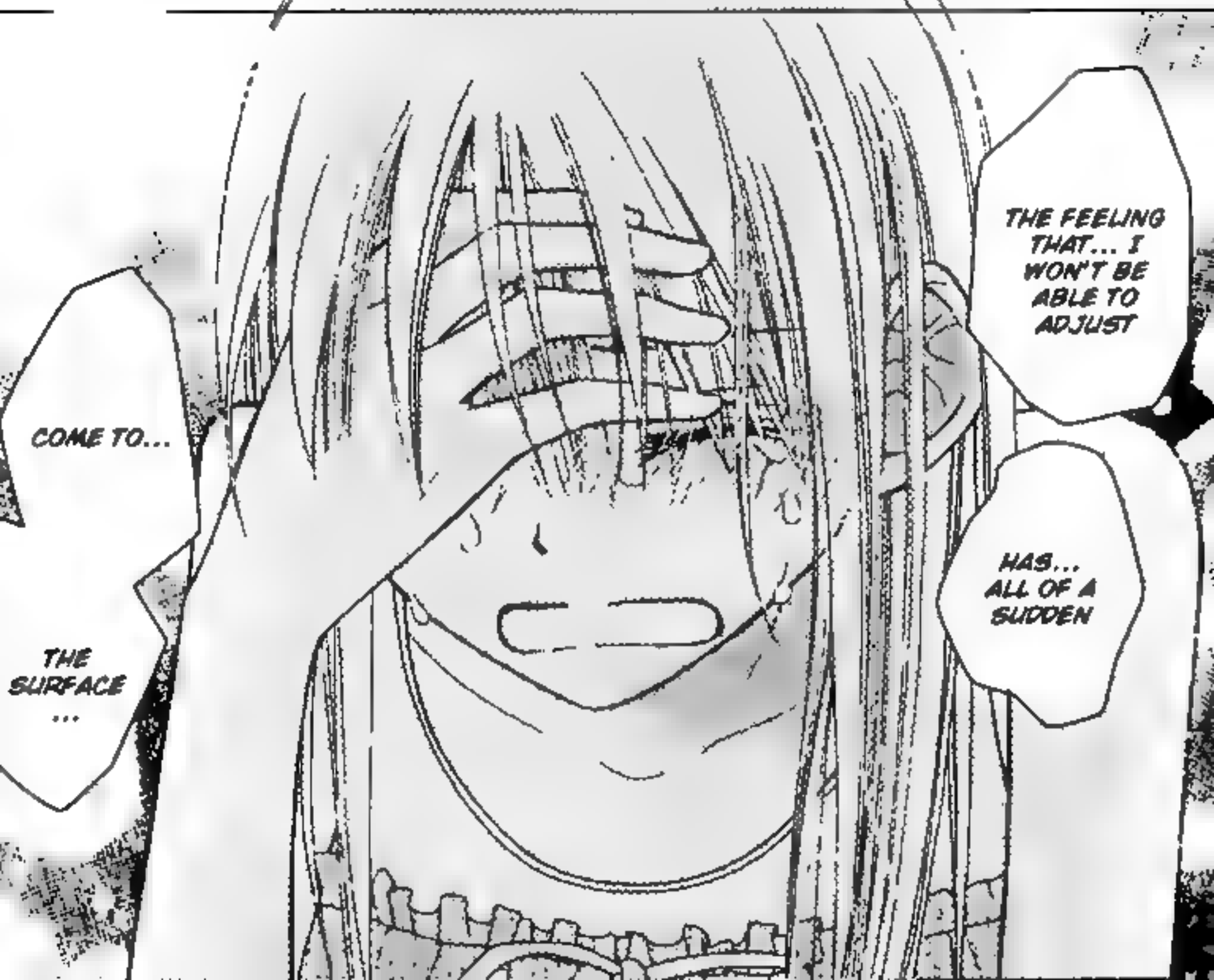
unraveled—...

COME TO...

THE  
SURFACE  
...

THE FEELING  
THAT... I  
WON'T BE  
ABLE TO  
ADJUST

HAS...  
ALL OF A  
SUDDEN





ADJUST  
...?

...YOU  
MEAN  
ABOUT  
AKANE  
AND  
AOI...?



YES  
...

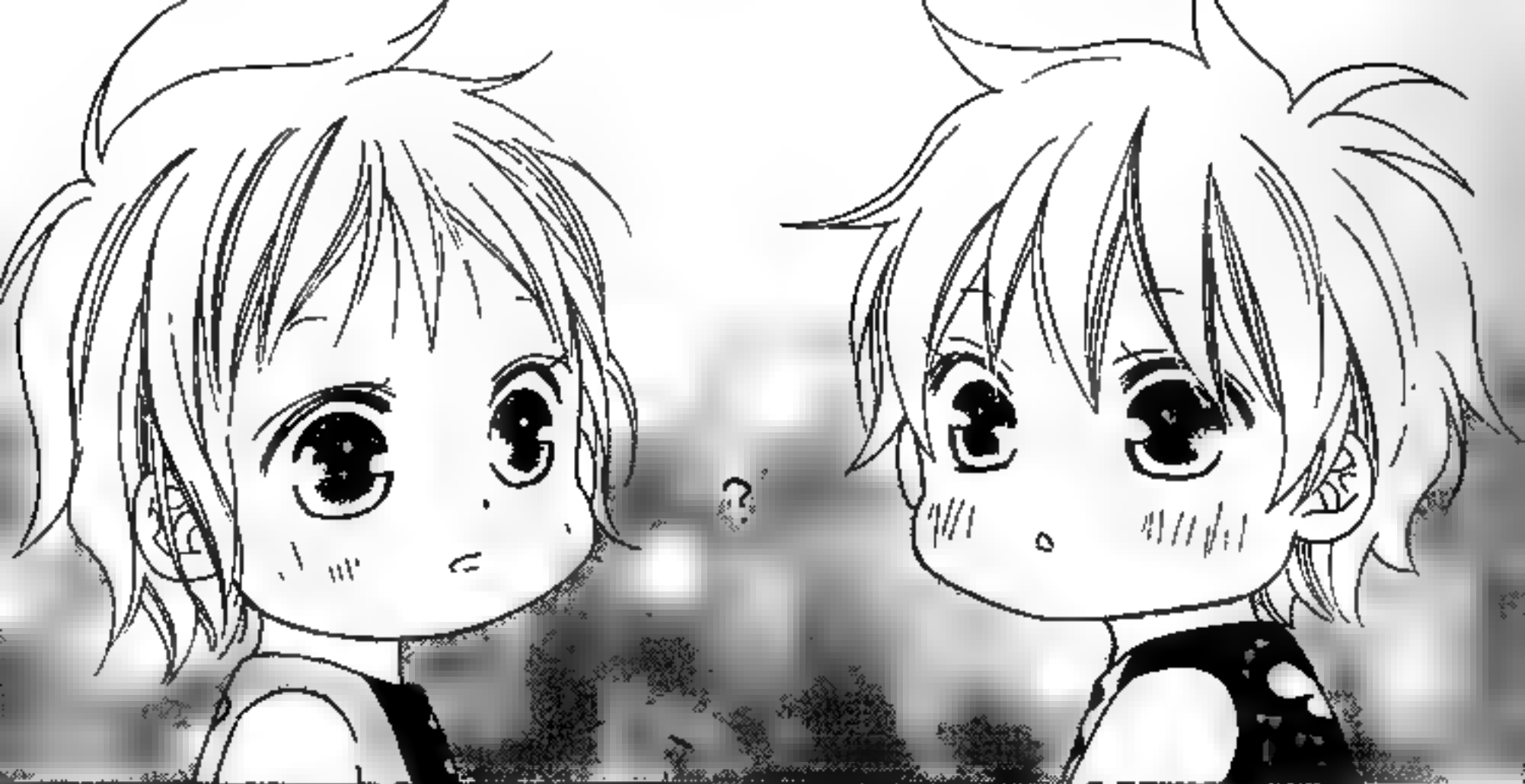


It's the best place  
for them

Going to school in an  
environment they've  
gotten used to.

to grandmother  
and grandfather  
who get along well  
with each other.





their babysitter.

Because I am

I have to face  
the reality

—That's  
right.



WITH THE TIME  
REMAINING  
TO ME!

I'LL DO ALL  
THAT I CAN

〇〇



はっ  
しゅ  
SCRUB



"I'll always love you"

"Although we've  
parted,

In order to  
convey to them  
that

thinking about

what's  
best for  
them...

She has  
always  
been  
deeply

More than  
I'd thought.

MATSNAGA-  
SAN,

I HOPE  
THAT

THEIR  
GRANDMOTHER'S  
HEALTH  
IMPROVES  
QUICKLY...



YOU  
DON'T HAVE  
TO FORCE  
YOURSELF...

Uwaaaa

BLUSH

BLUSH



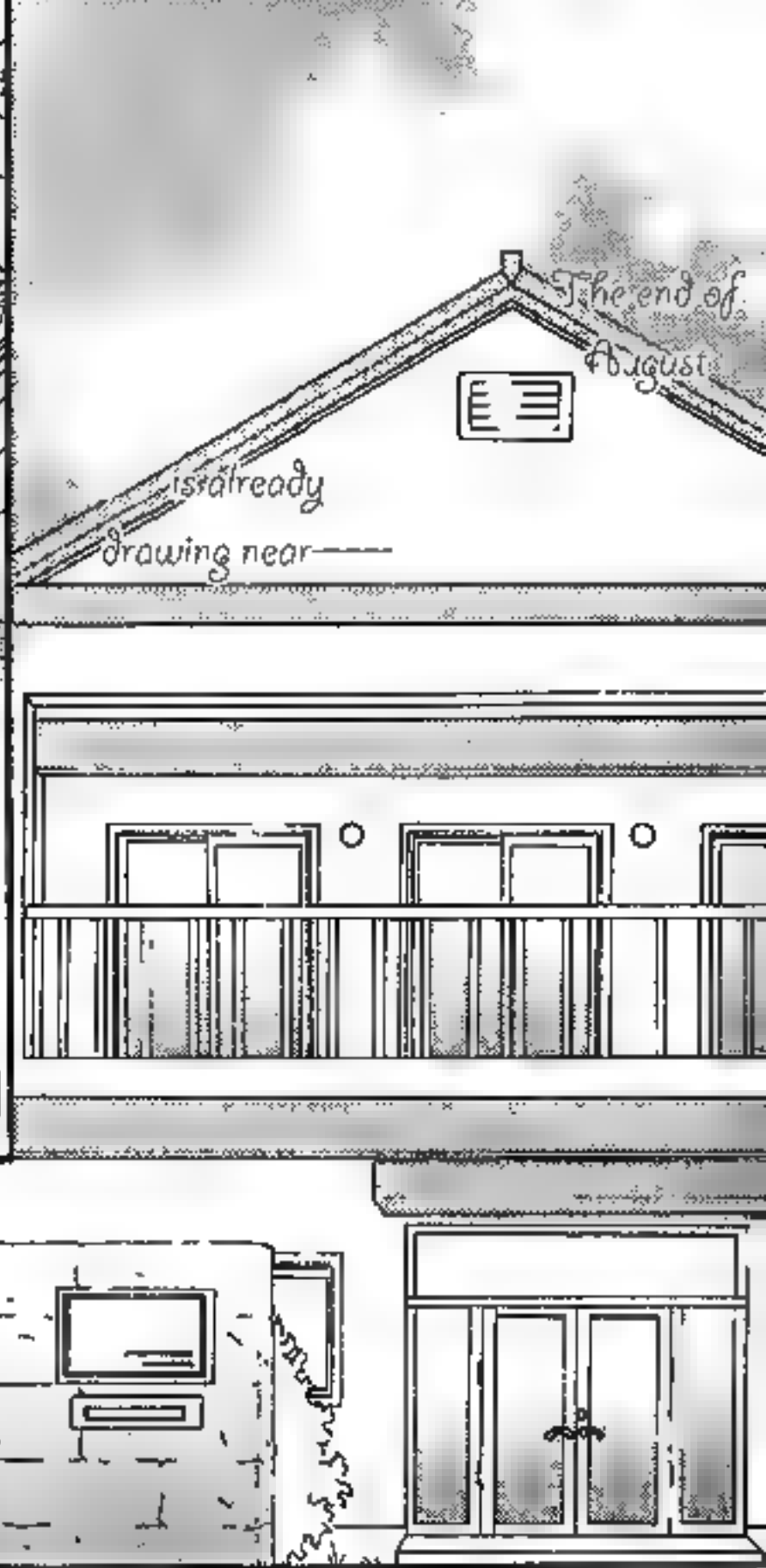


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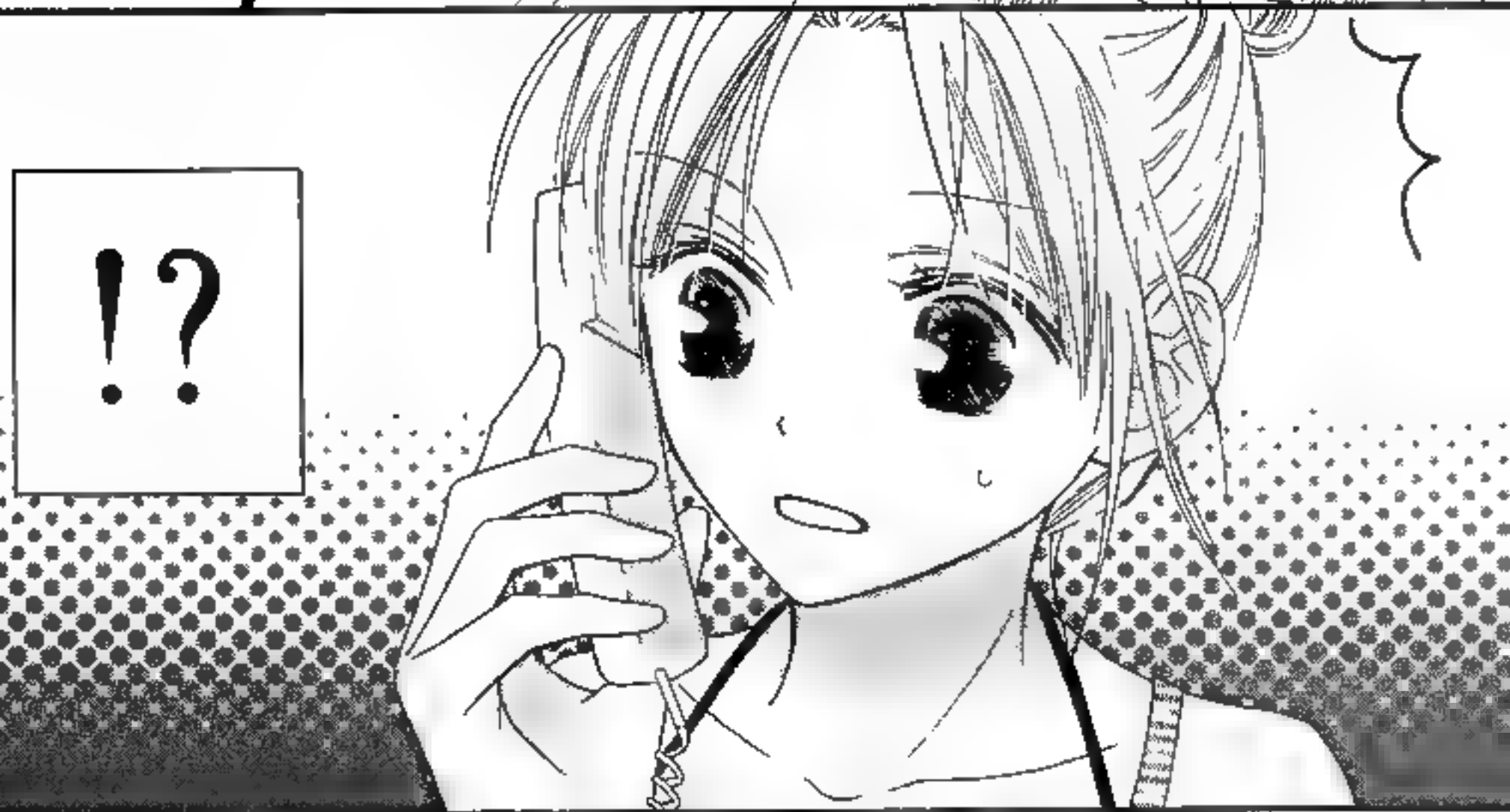


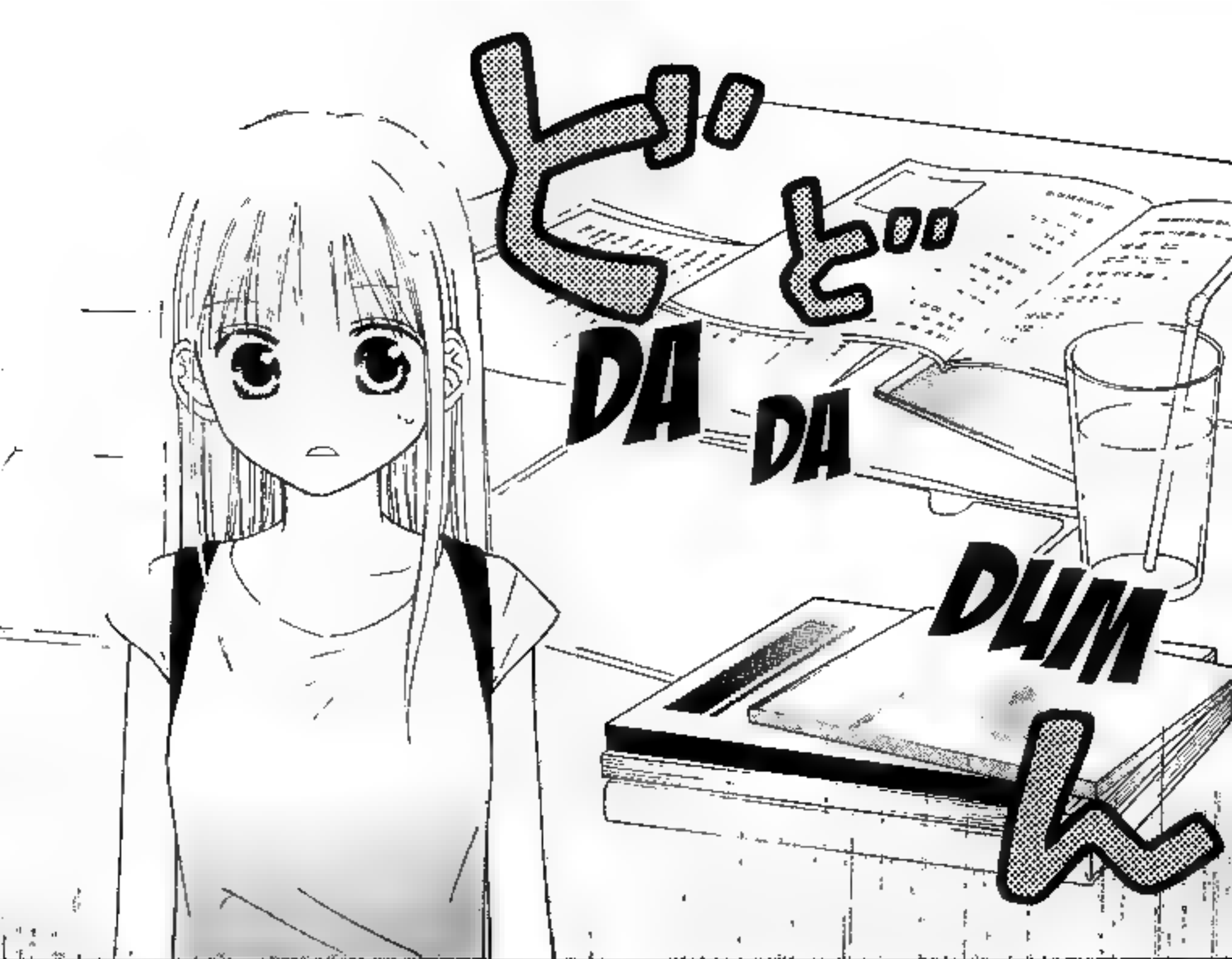
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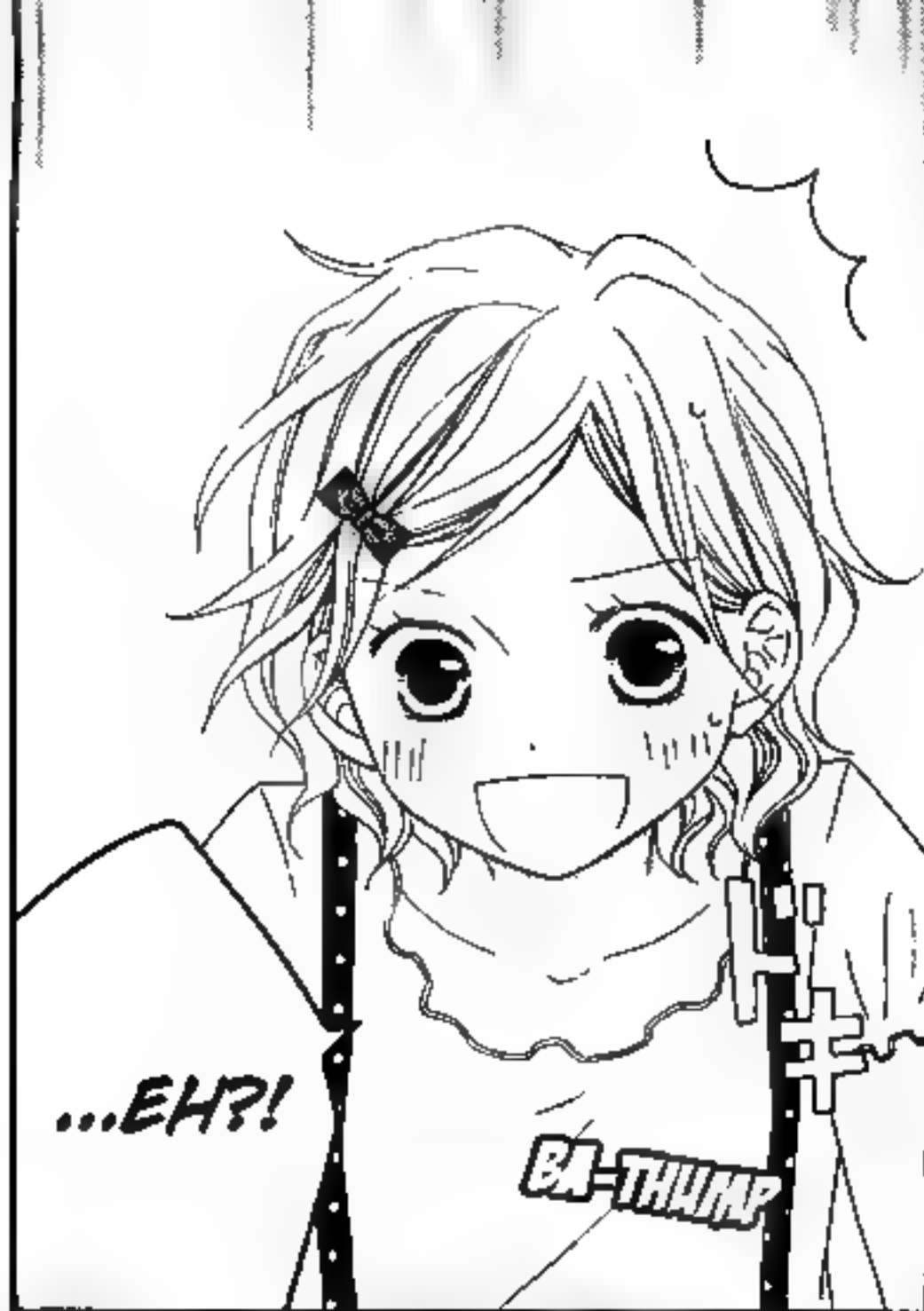






Drink Bar - Like Salad bar, it's bar with drinks, all you can drink.





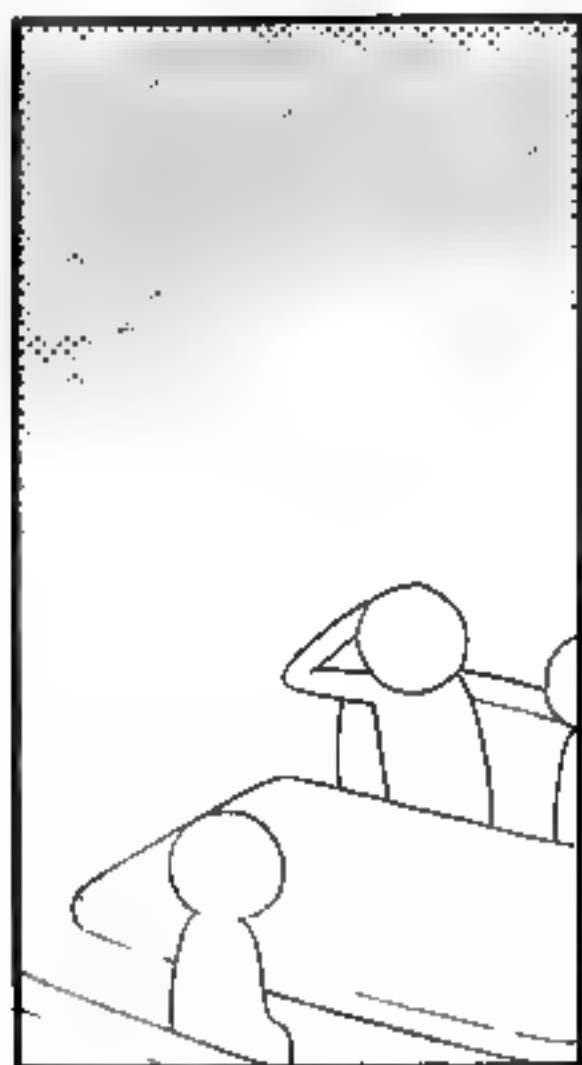
Takeru,  
Freshman Year  
of High School











③

では！  
とリズエが  
「こうな本陣」という  
名前ですが、  
これはペンネーム  
です。本名は…  
フリーの名前です。

2月18生まれ  
水がめ座  
血液型は  
A型らしいですが  
人生で一度もA型だ  
と当てられた事が  
ないのて血液型に

よる性格判断は  
私は全く信じて  
おけません！  
(言ってる人も参考  
研究させてる方が  
否定している言  
いはありません！)

身長 161.3cm (x10)



体重、フツー位

RIO, YOU  
SHOULDN'T  
SAY IT SO  
BLUNTLY...

Emmm?

THEN HOW  
ON EARTH  
DID YOU  
GET INTO  
UNIVER-  
SITY?!

MUTTER  
ツ

MUTTER  
ツ

You see,

I CAN  
RETAIN IT  
FOR ONLY  
AROUND 3  
DAYS.

Textbook, Reference Book,  
Mnemonics Guide,  
Workbook

I CAN  
CRAM  
PRETTY MUCH  
ANYTHING  
INTO MY  
HEAD, BUT

ONLY MY  
MEMORIZA-  
TION ABILITY  
IS REALLY  
GOOD

Memorization

Farewell

Yahoo, it's  
over

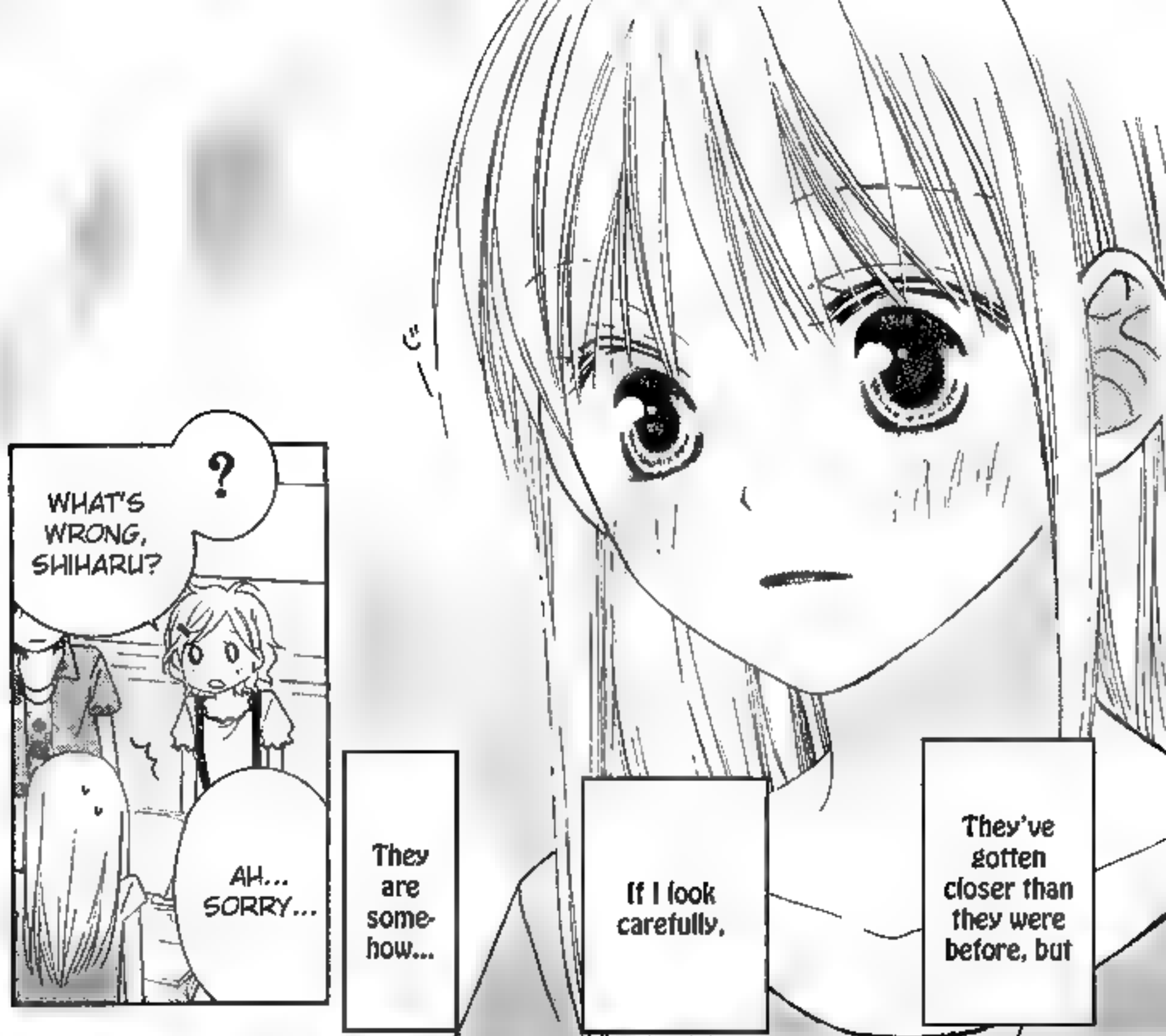
SO I MADE  
DUE WITH  
STUDYING  
FOR 3 DAYS  
STRAIGHT  
WITHOUT  
SLEEPING  
BEFORE THE  
EXAMS, BUT

ALL OF THE  
CONTENTS I'D  
MEMORIZED  
DISAPPEARED  
OFF-TO SOME-  
WHERE AFTER  
THE EXAMS  
WERE OVER.

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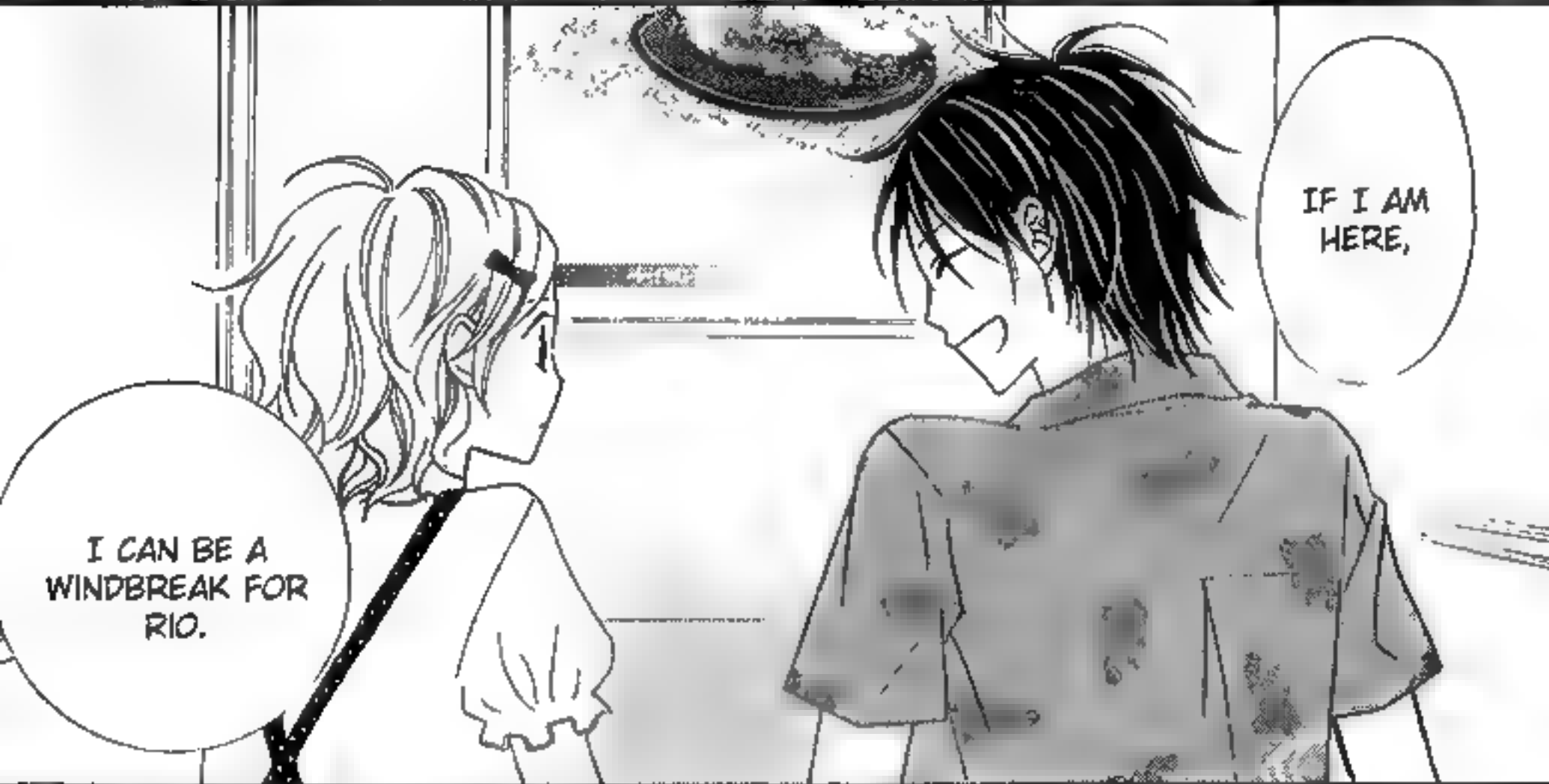












happy...

I'm ridiculously



No problem.



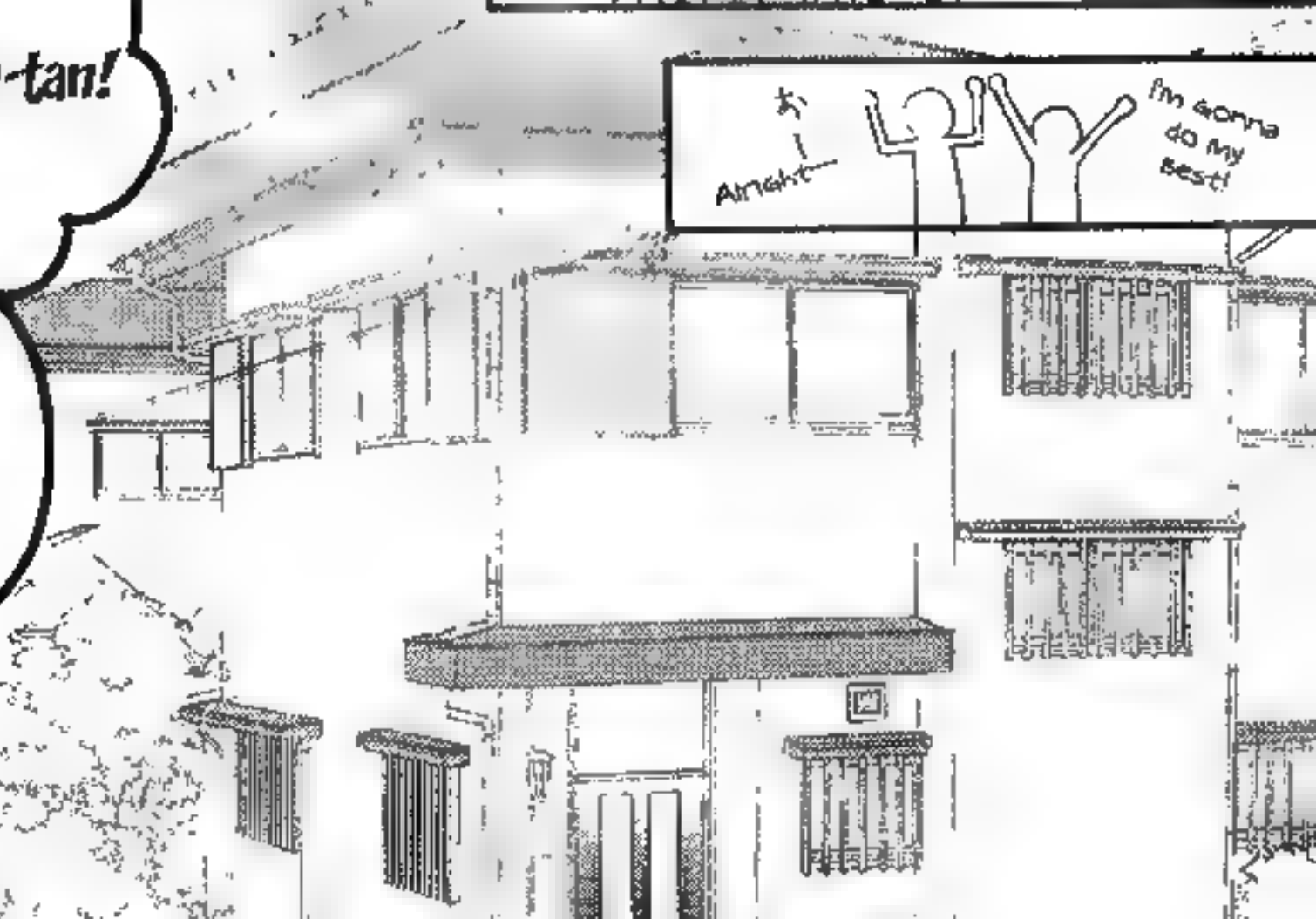
THANKS!

Shiharu-tan!

Hey,  
Shiharu-  
tan—

おー  
Alright

I'm gonna  
do my  
best!





You know  
what I heard  
'bout the lady  
next door —

she's having an  
**Affair!**



Don'tcha  
know?

AKANE-CHAN,  
WHAT ARE  
YOU SAYING...

.....  
EH?

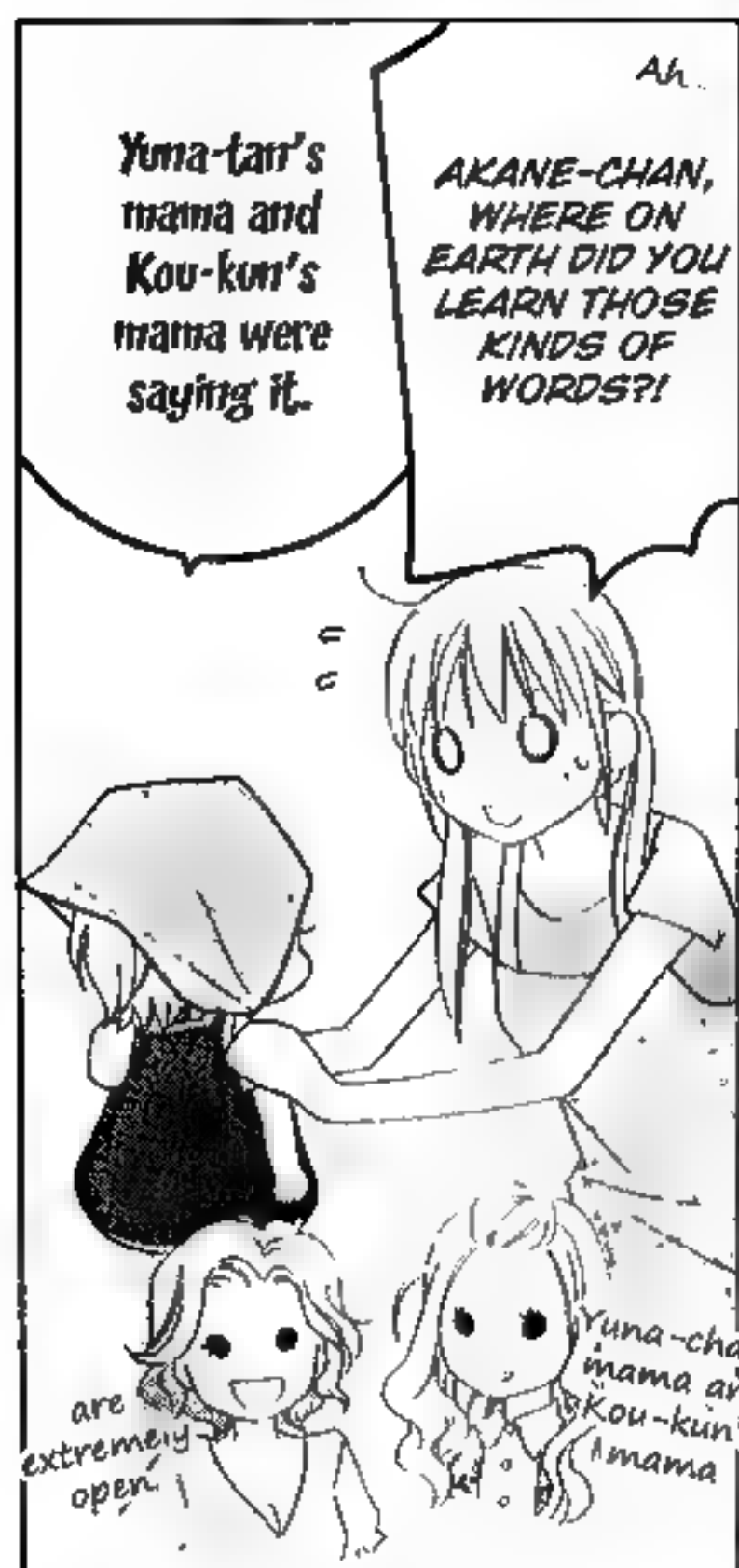
Everyone's  
saying it—

**She's having  
an Affair!**

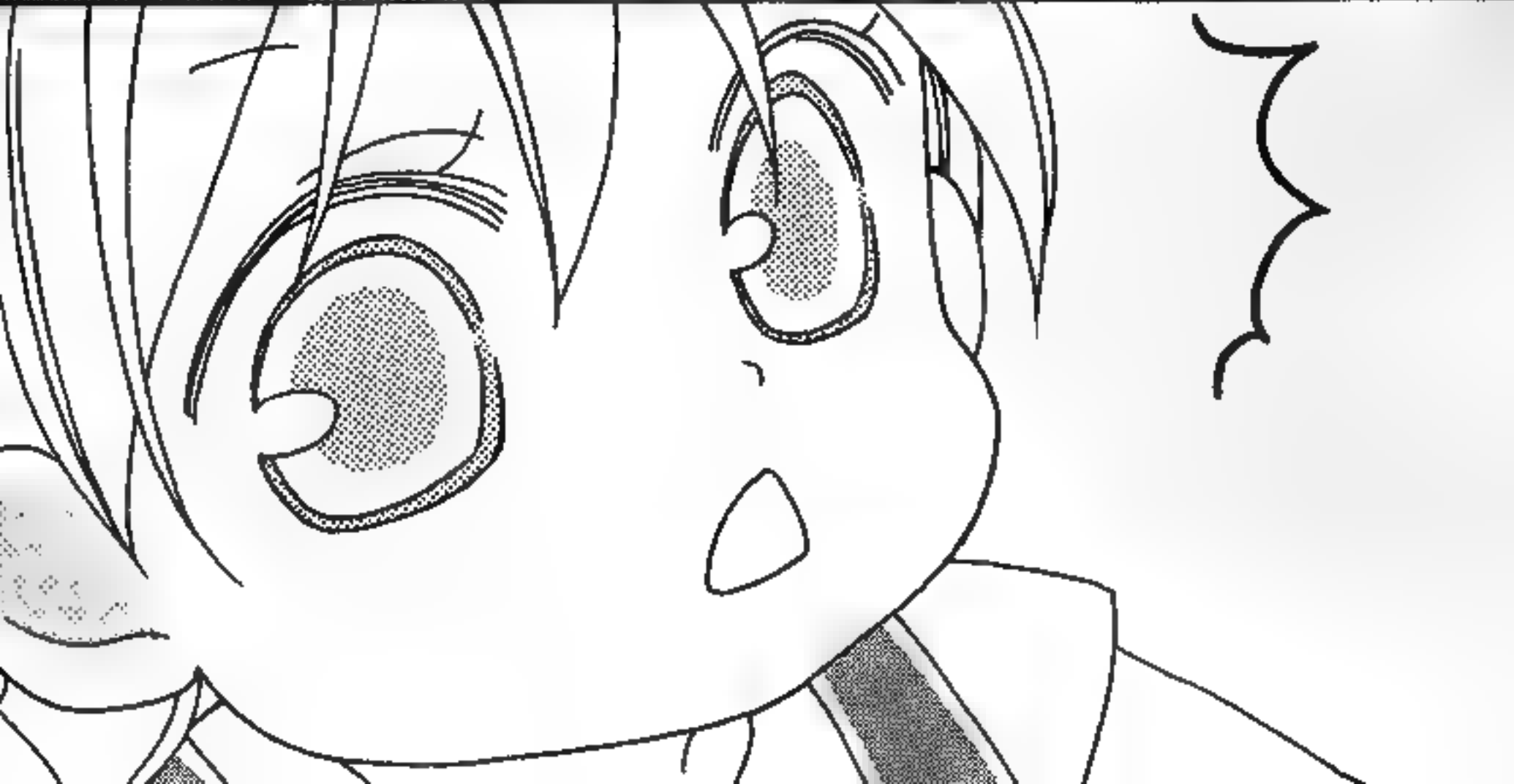
Playing  
Make-Believe  
as a Housewife



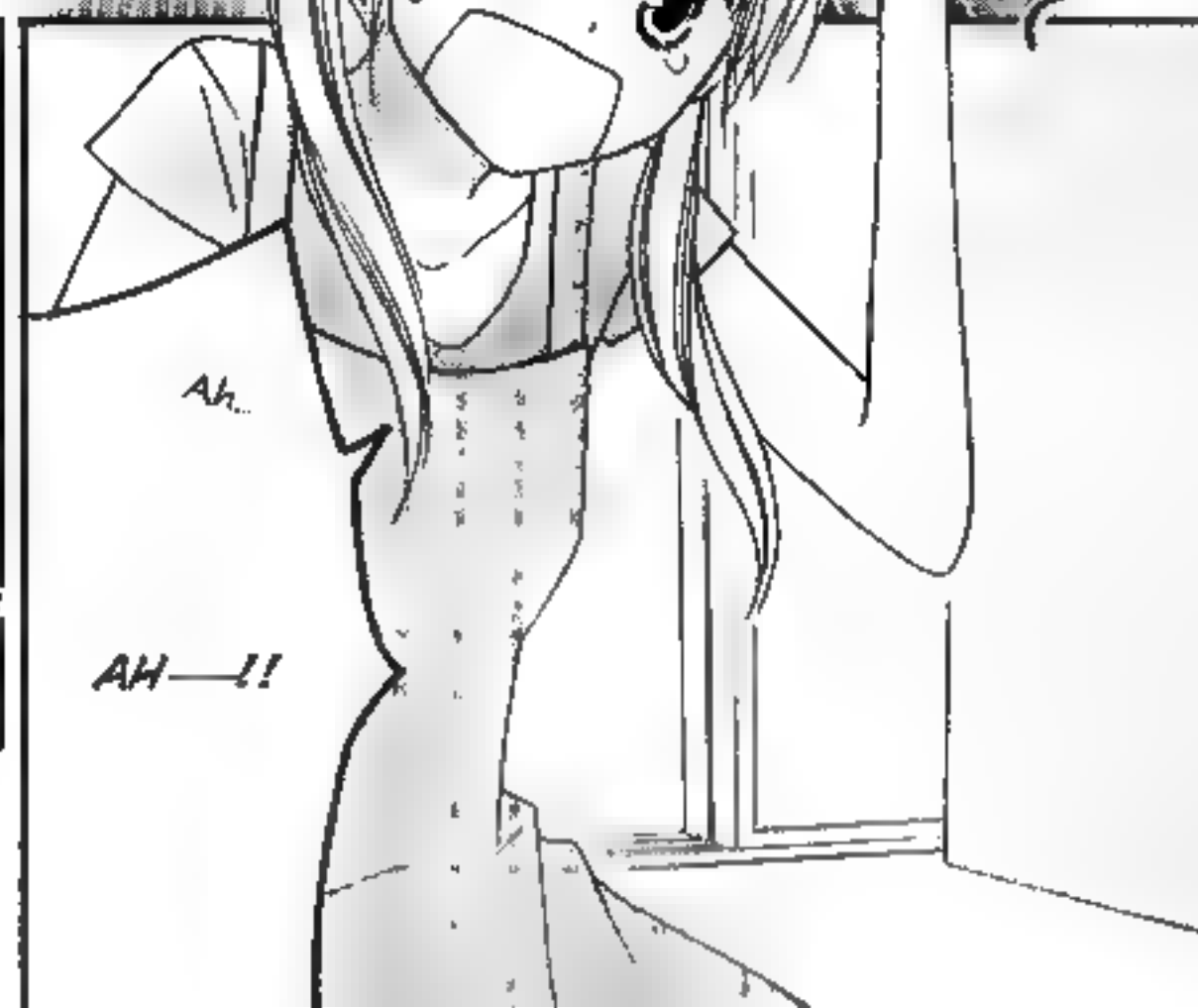
# LOVE SO LIFE











certainly looked  
painful but

Fukane chans

kick

HE DIDN'T  
CLING TO  
ME IN  
TEARS AS  
USUAL...



AOI-  
KUN...!

DASH

THROB  
THROB

"did a bad  
thing"...?

Which  
means...

At least a  
little, he's  
realized for  
himself  
that he

Going  
to be  
scolded

Going  
to be  
scolded

Going  
to be  
scolded

Going  
to be  
scolded



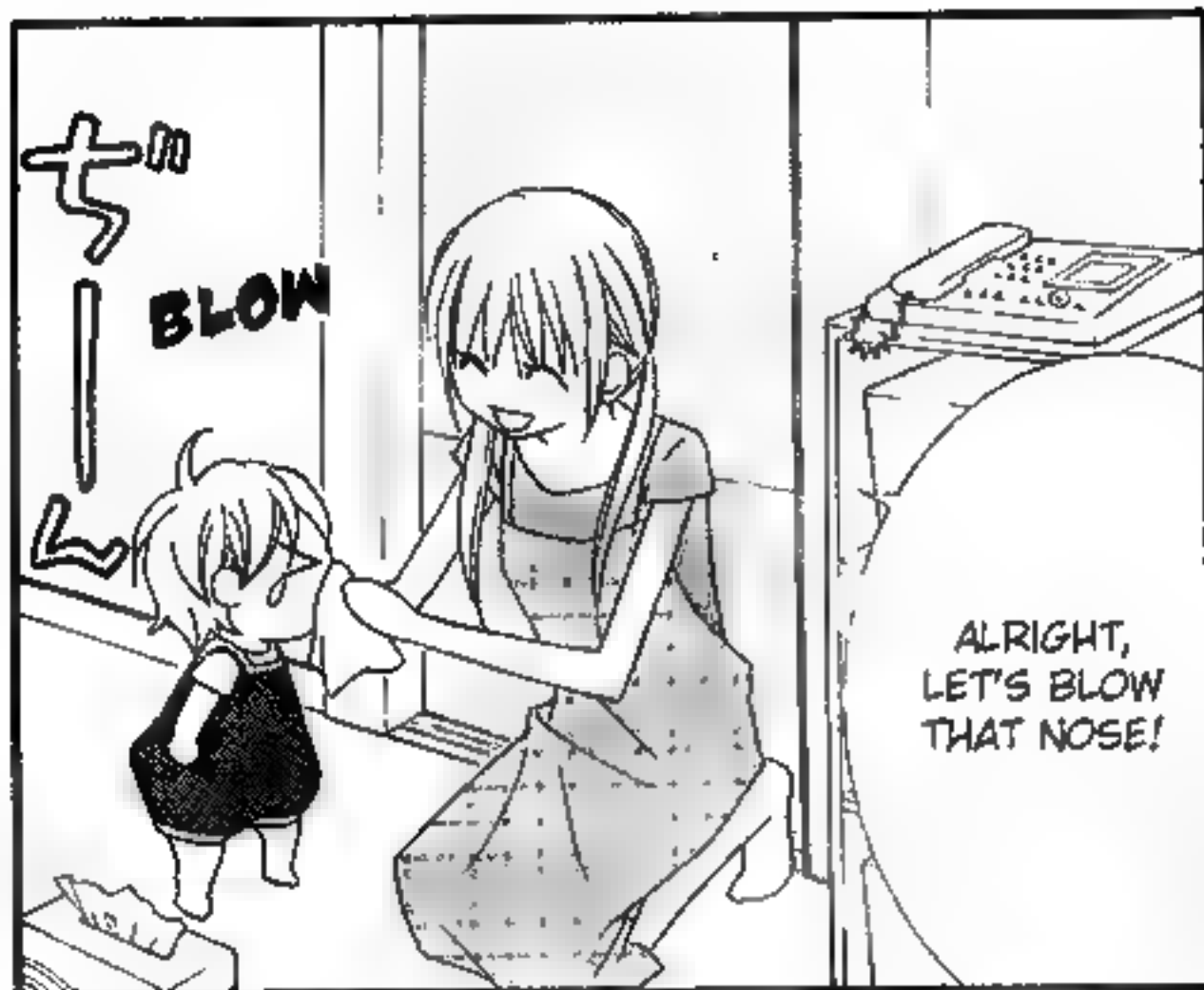
BA-THUMP

AOI-  
KUN...?





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HM?! WHEN DID GET YOU SO GOOD AT BLOWING LIKE THAT -?!

AOI-KUN, YOU DIDN'T USED TO BE ABLE TO BLOW YOUR NOSE BEFORE, DID YOU?

No matter how small of a thing.

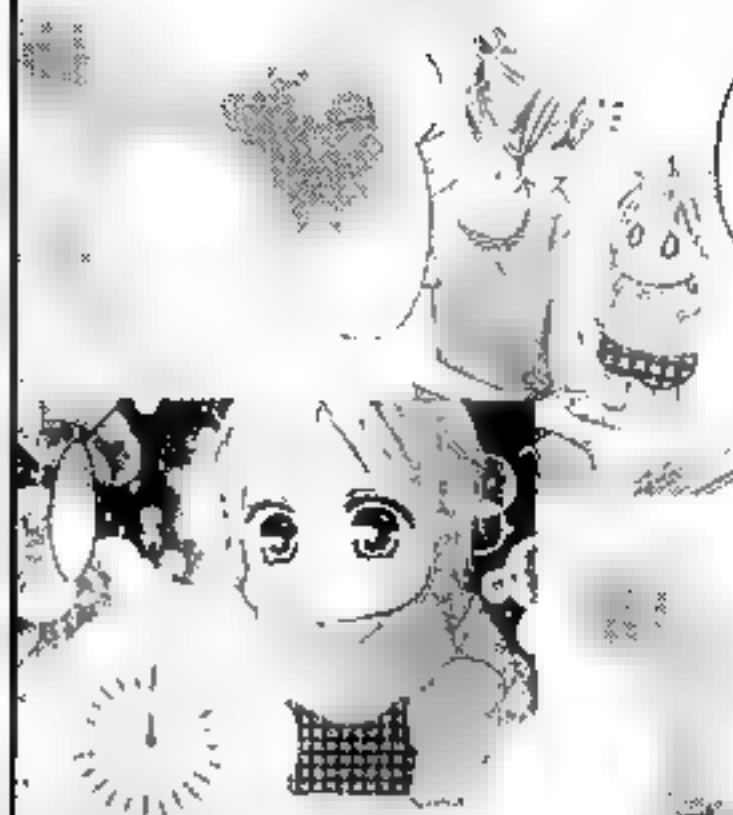


Forever.



even if a time comes  
when I'm no longer  
able to watch over  
them.

the two of  
them are  
getting  
bigger and  
bigger.



as they pile  
up one by  
one.



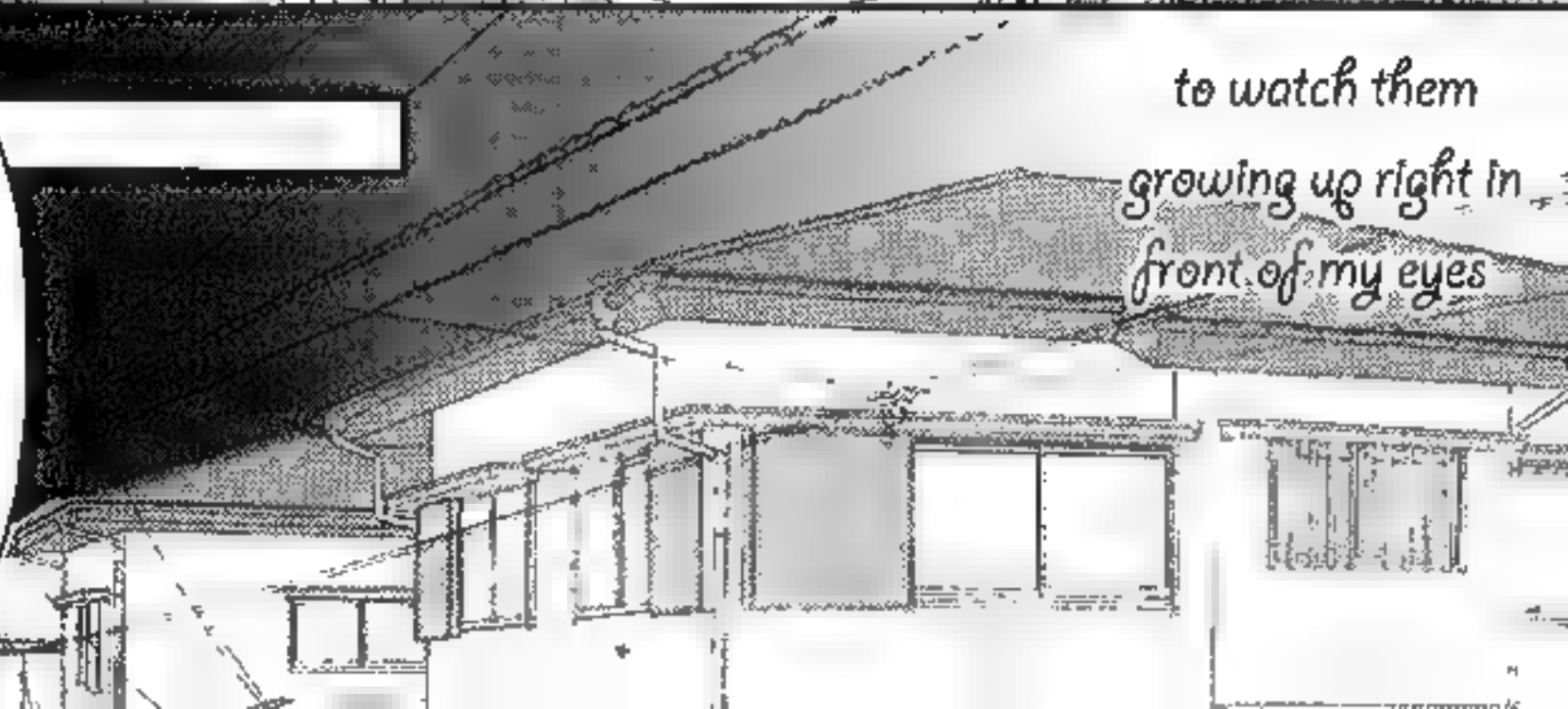
IT'S NOT  
JUST A SAD  
THING,  
RIGHT...?



I'll be genuinely  
happy that I  
was able

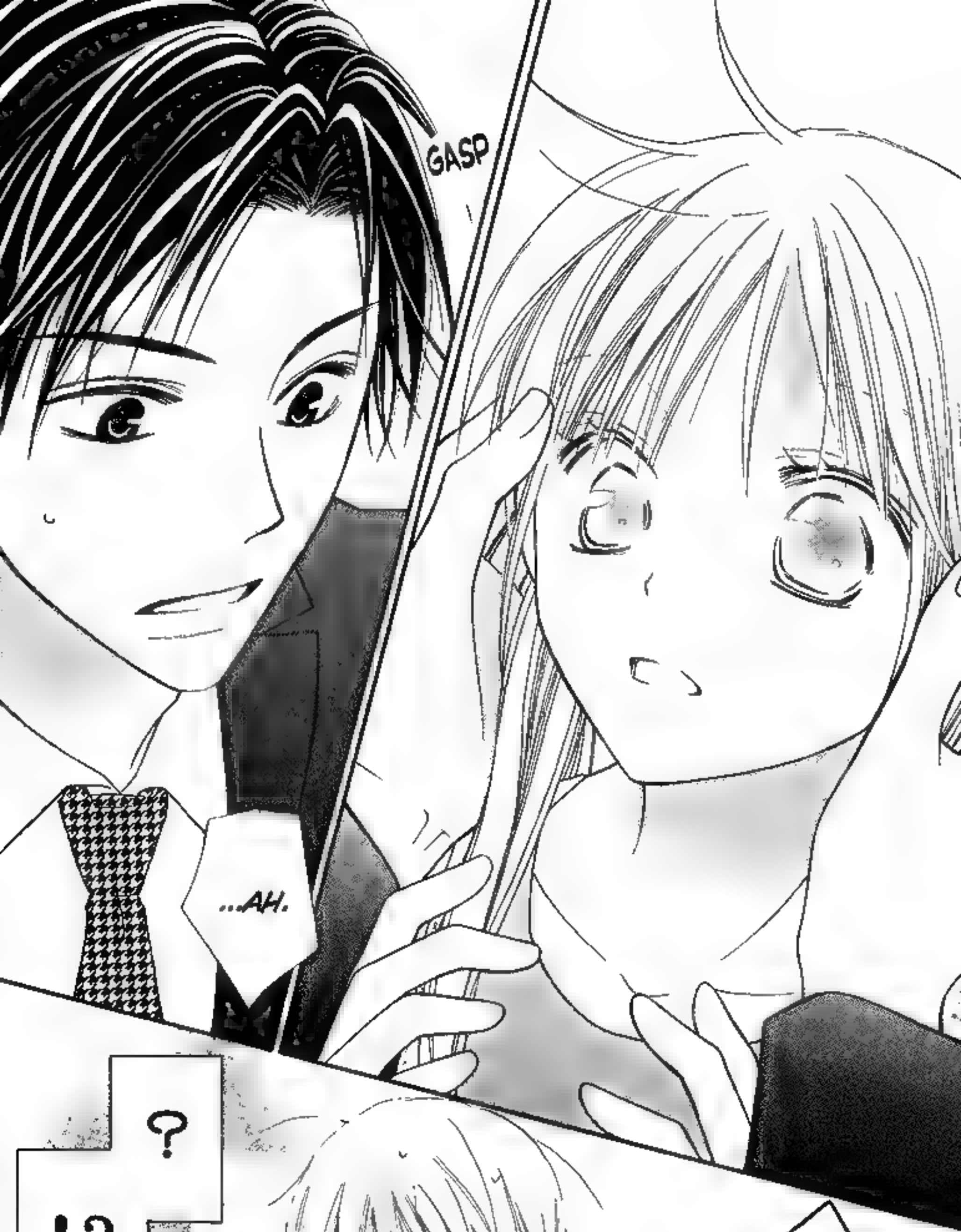
I'M  
HOME...

to watch them  
growing up right in  
front of my eyes

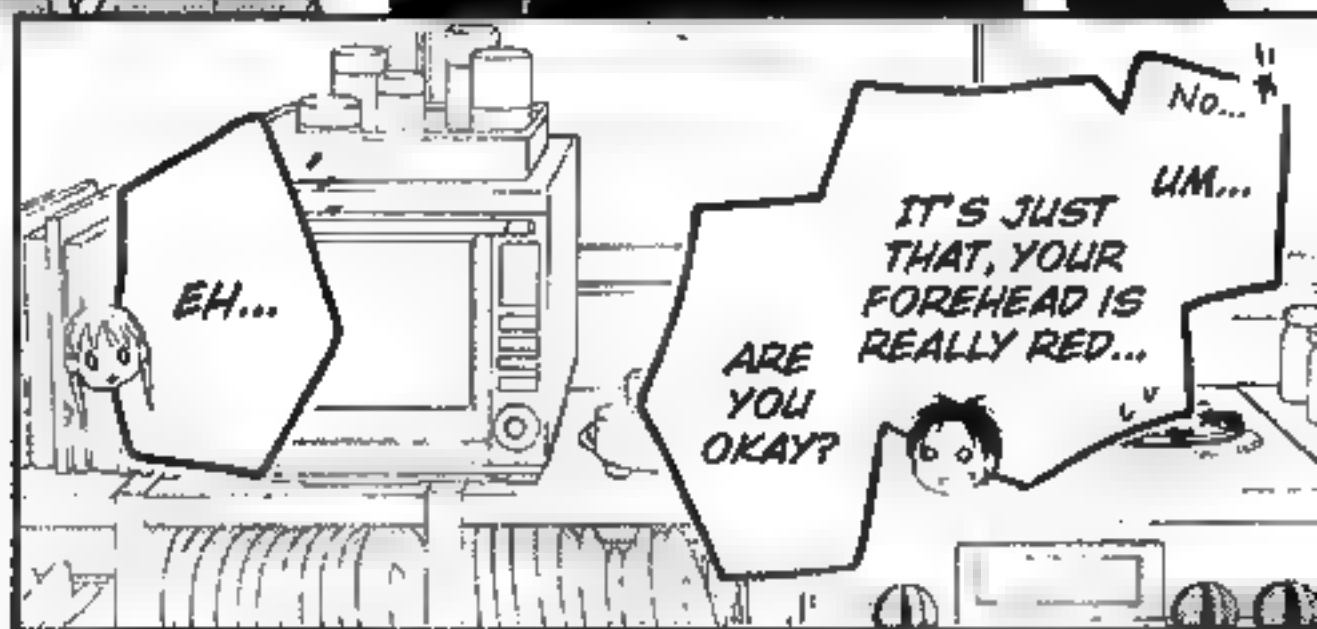








My forehead is.. ?



Ah.



Oh really...?

That reminds me, before this too...

My mouth isn't working properly.

IT'S OKAY...

IT'S...

Huh?

I'm acting

THE PAIN WAS ONLY TO SUCH A DEGREE THAT I'D ALREADY FORGOTTEN ABOUT IT...

kind of weird



and, only because of being touched on the shoulder, I started...

My face blushing,



WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

I CAME BECAUSE I'D BEEN WANTING TO.

ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU'D COME SPECIFICALLY TO ACCOMPANY ME...

That's right!

UM...! I'M SORRY ABOUT LAST WEEK, FOR CRYING SUDDENLY AT THE CEMETERY.



AH...

THAT'S  
RIGHT,  
BESIDES,

I DON'T THINK  
CRYING, IN AND  
OF ITSELF, IS  
NECESSARILY A  
BAD THING.

Anyways, there's  
nothing to  
apologize for

have a weird  
feeling

I still

Lately, whenever  
Matsunaga-san's  
eyes meet mine

I just can't calm  
down——



Around That  
Time

Ahhhh What  
should I do?  
I'm not going  
to finish~  
Ehh, question  
number 3 is  
B? No way,  
don't tell me  
I've been writ-  
ing down all  
the answers in  
the wrong  
places? Ah—  
Wait a minute,  
I don't go to  
sleep Mai  
Mai!

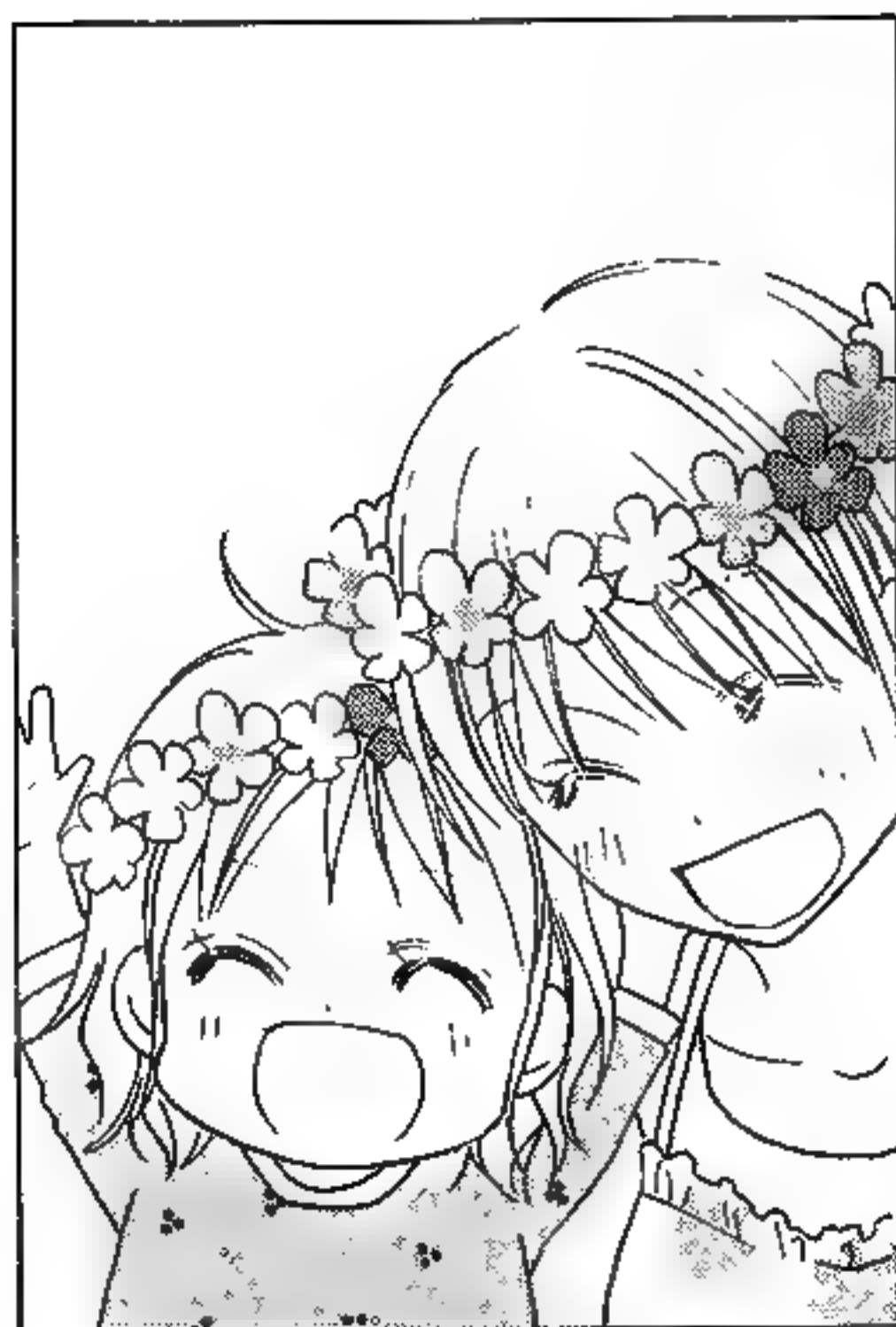




# Chapter 43



LOVE SO LIFE



With the very end of summer vacation fast approaching—...

I,  
MOTOHATA,  
HAVE BEEN  
GIVEN THE  
OPPORTU-  
NITY  
TO WORK  
IN THE  
SPORTS  
AND EN-  
TERTAIN-  
MENT  
CORNER!

PLEASE  
TREAT ME  
KINDLY!

JX-ANNOUNCER  
MOTOHATA SATOSH

THIS WEEK,  
IN ORDER  
FOR  
MATSUNA-  
GA-SAN TO  
TAKE A  
BREAK  
DURING  
SUMMER  
VACATION,

Chirp! Chirp!

STAGGER

At long last,  
summer  
has come

Thank you,  
Motohata-kun...

for me as well...





...UM,

NO—... I  
WAS GETTING  
SO SICK OF  
WAITING FOR  
THESE DAYS...



HOW NICE,  
THAT YOU  
WERE ABLE  
TO TAKE A  
VACATION...



The Sliding  
Door ←



NAKAMURA-  
SAN, WHAT  
ARE YOU  
LOOKING AT?



PLEASE  
TAKE YOUR  
TIME AND  
RELAX,  
OKAY!

I...  
I WILL  
LOOK  
AFTER THE  
TWIN'S AS  
MUCH AS  
POSSIBLE,  
SO



# Yokohama MARINE WORLD

UNDERSEA  
TUNNEL

ENTRANCE

Wow







IT'S BEEN  
A REALLY  
LONG TIME  
FOR ME,  
TOO...

THIS PLACE IS  
INCREDIBLE!!

I HAVEN'T  
BEEN TO THE  
AQUARIUM  
SINCE I WAS  
IN ELEMEN-  
TARY  
SCHOOL....!



Isn't  
that a Mr.  
Shrimp—?

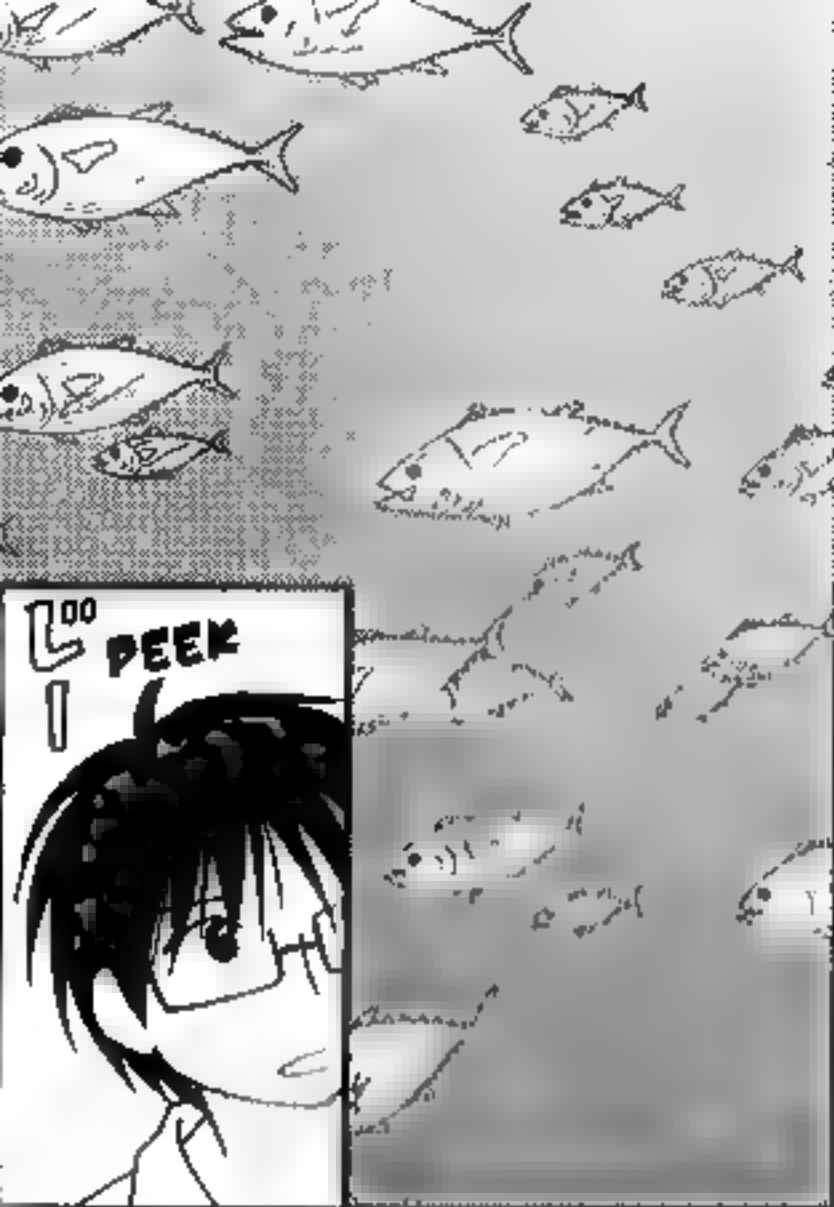
Hm—?! I  
wonder  
what it is.

Shiharu-tan,  
what is  
that—?!

ISN'T IT, INCREDIBLE?  
IN HERE, IT'S LIKE  
WE'RE WALKING  
UNDERWATER!

TUG

TUG



④

♡スキ♡な色

- アイス 特にはちみつ
- チョコ
- プリン
- ヨーグルト
- ケーキ
- パン
- コロシキ 特にはちみつ
- トマト
- おいしい和食



• ちびっ子のマフィン  
(アメリカ)

• ニュース 特にはちみつ

• デズニー 1921

• 海外 (アメリカ)  
ドラマ 特にはちみつ

• ニュース 特にはちみつ

• Back to the Future

• STAR WARS

• スピリット

• The Cardigans

• Fatboy Slim

• エイ"ニマリ

• エイ"モモンガ

• 文鳥

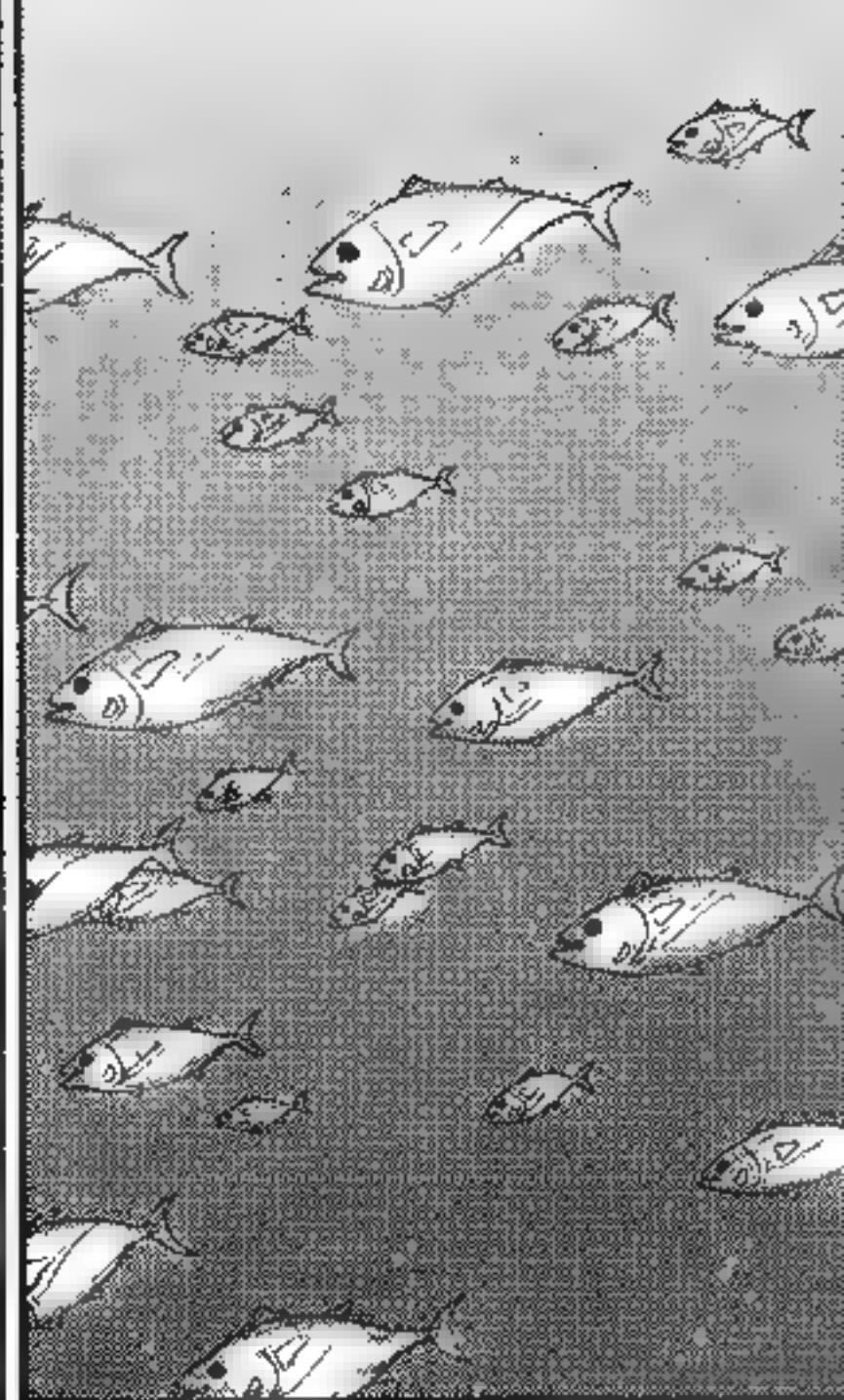
• インコ

• にわとり

• スズメ

• ウグス

• 鳥類



IT WAS CARELESS OF ME TO HAVE MADE SUCH A REMARK IN A PLACE LIKE THIS!

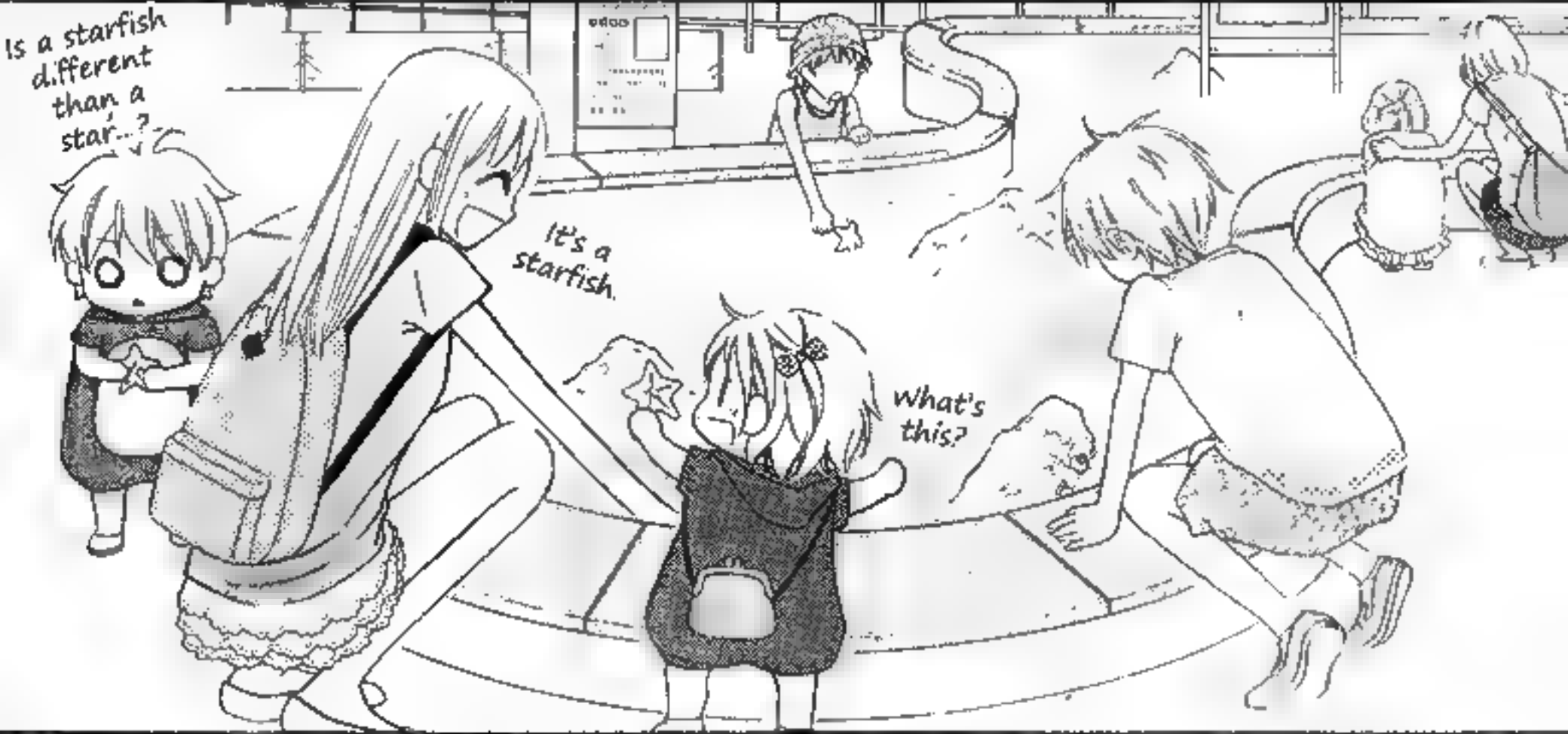
FROM NOW ON I'LL EAT ALL OF YOU WITH MUCH MORE SINCERITY THAN BEFORE

I'M SO SORRY, I'M SO SORRY.

ほろろ  
Drip

ほろろ  
Drip





It's actually in that  
paper bag I asked  
you to carry...

EH?!

...UM...

I PACKED A  
BENTO BUT...

NAKAMURA-SAN,  
IT'S ABOUT  
LUNCHTIME  
NOW.  
SHALL  
WE HAVE  
SOMETHING  
TO EAT?

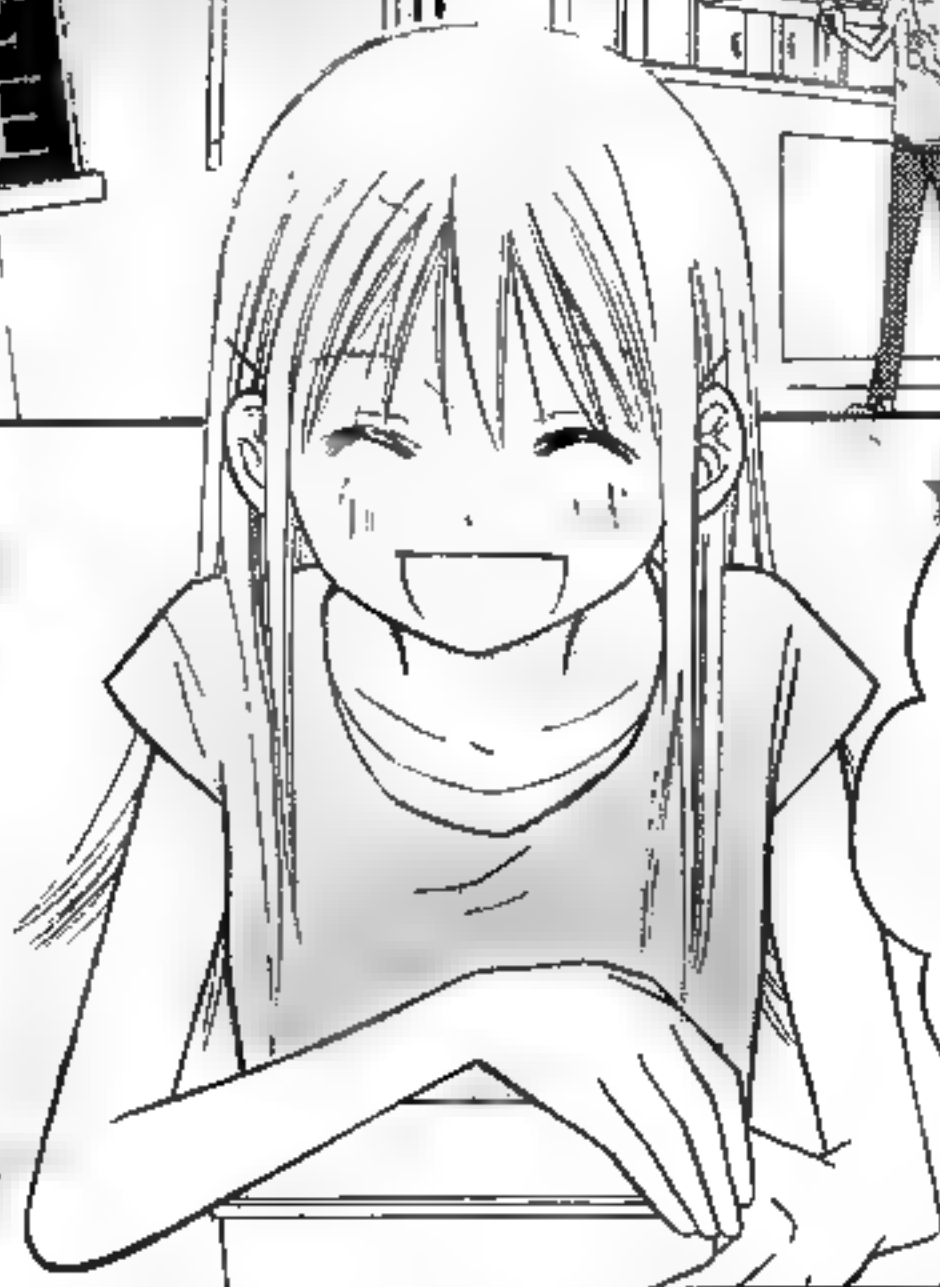
YEAH.

Bento—?!

I'M SORRY  
FOR ALWAYS  
MAKING YOU  
GO TO THE  
TROUBLE...

NO! I ENJOY  
MAKING  
THEM...

Let's eat—!  
Quickly,  
quickly~!



FOR TODAY, I  
TRIED TO MAKE IT  
WITH A DIFFERENT  
FEEL THAN USUAL!



お  
Open

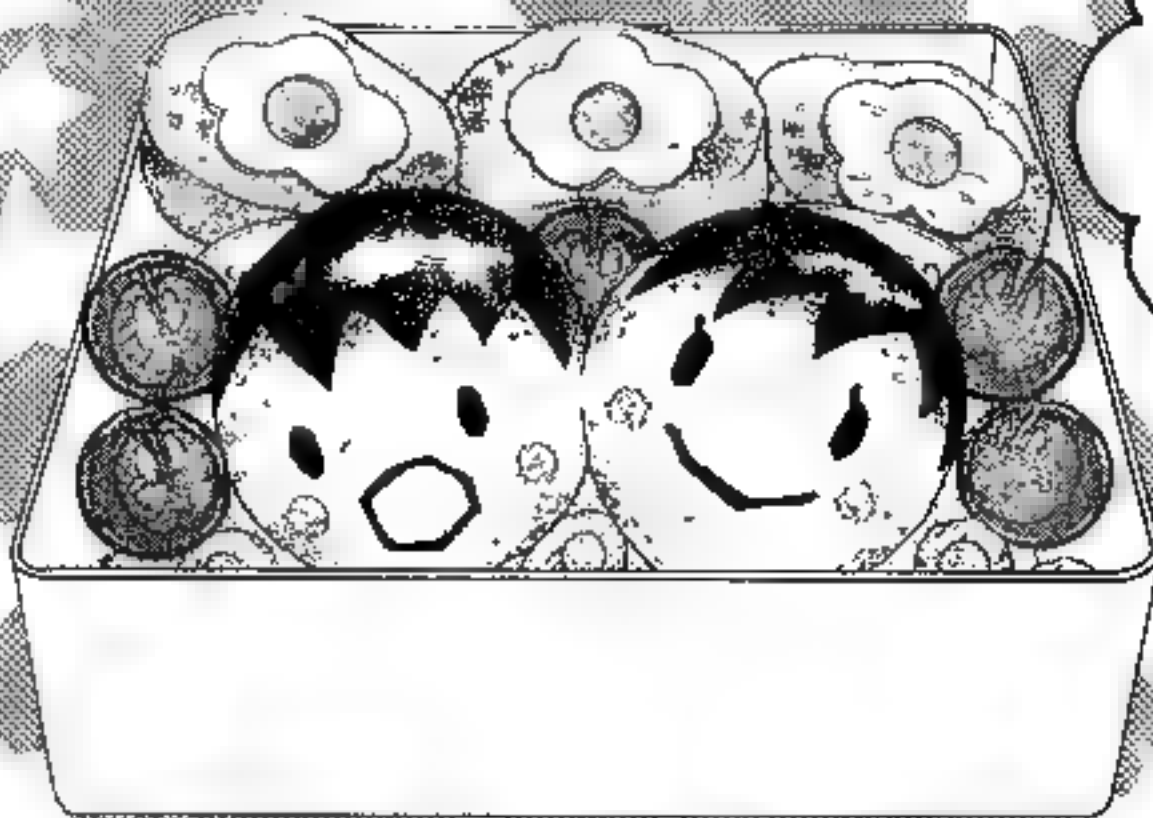
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A  
I  
D  
—  
A  
!!



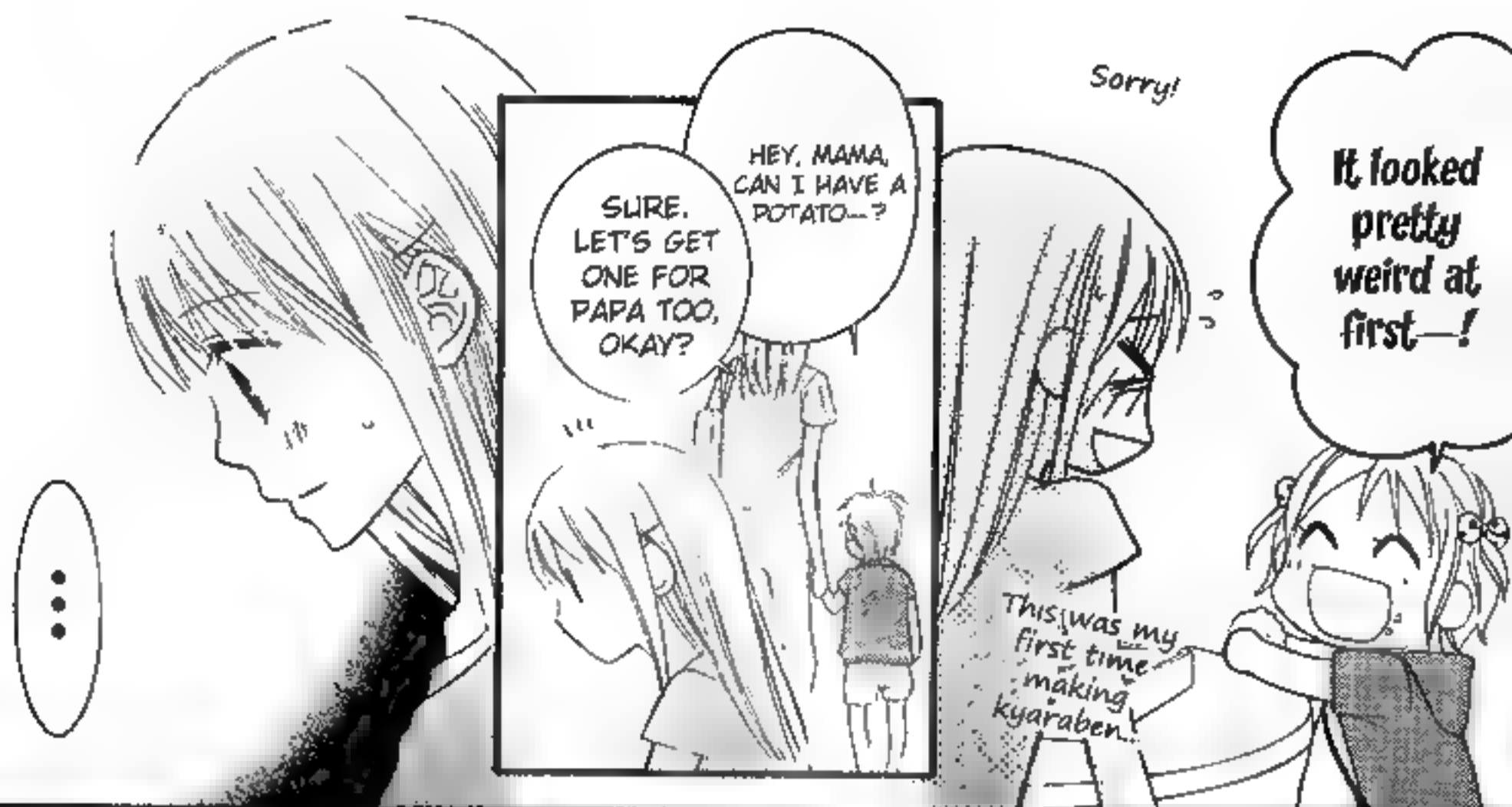
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THIS IS HOW IT'S SUPPOSED TO LOOK!!







SURE.  
LET'S GET  
ONE FOR  
PAPA TOO,  
OKAY?

HEY, MAMA,  
CAN I HAVE A  
POTATO—?

Sorry!

It looked  
pretty  
weird at  
first—!

This was my  
first time  
making  
kyaraben!



AT 2 YEARS  
OLD?!

NO...  
THERE'S NO  
NEED FOR THAT  
YET... I DON'T  
THINK...?

THIS MIGHT HAVE  
BEEN A GOOD PLACE  
TO TEACH THEM  
ABOUT "BUYING AND  
EATING" ...

UM...

I'M ALWAYS  
DECIDING BY  
MYSELF TO  
BRING ALONG  
A PACKED  
LUNCH, BUT...



What size  
would you  
like?

Two sodas  
please!

AT LEAST  
WHILE THEY'RE  
YOUNG, I THINK  
HOMEMADE IS  
BETTER...

IT'S SOMETHING  
THEY'LL BE ABLE  
TO DO AS MUCH  
AS THEY WANT  
WHEN THEY'RE  
ADULTS.

EVEN ELEMEN-  
TARY SCHOOL  
KIDS ARE DOING  
IT, BUT...



BUYING OUT  
IS ALSO  
GOOD, BUT...





SO THANK  
YOU,

FOR ALWAYS LETTING  
US EXPERIENCE THIS  
KIND OF LUXURY.

...He

simple thing like  
this

called a

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a luxury—...



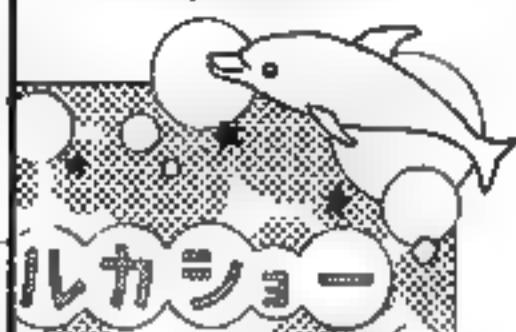
IT'S DEFINITELY NEAR  
THE END OF  
SEPTEMBER,  
RIGHT?

IT WAS  
WRITTEN  
ON THEIR  
ADMISSION  
RECORDS.

YES!

YOU  
KNOW THEIR  
BIRTHDAY?

# Dolphin Show

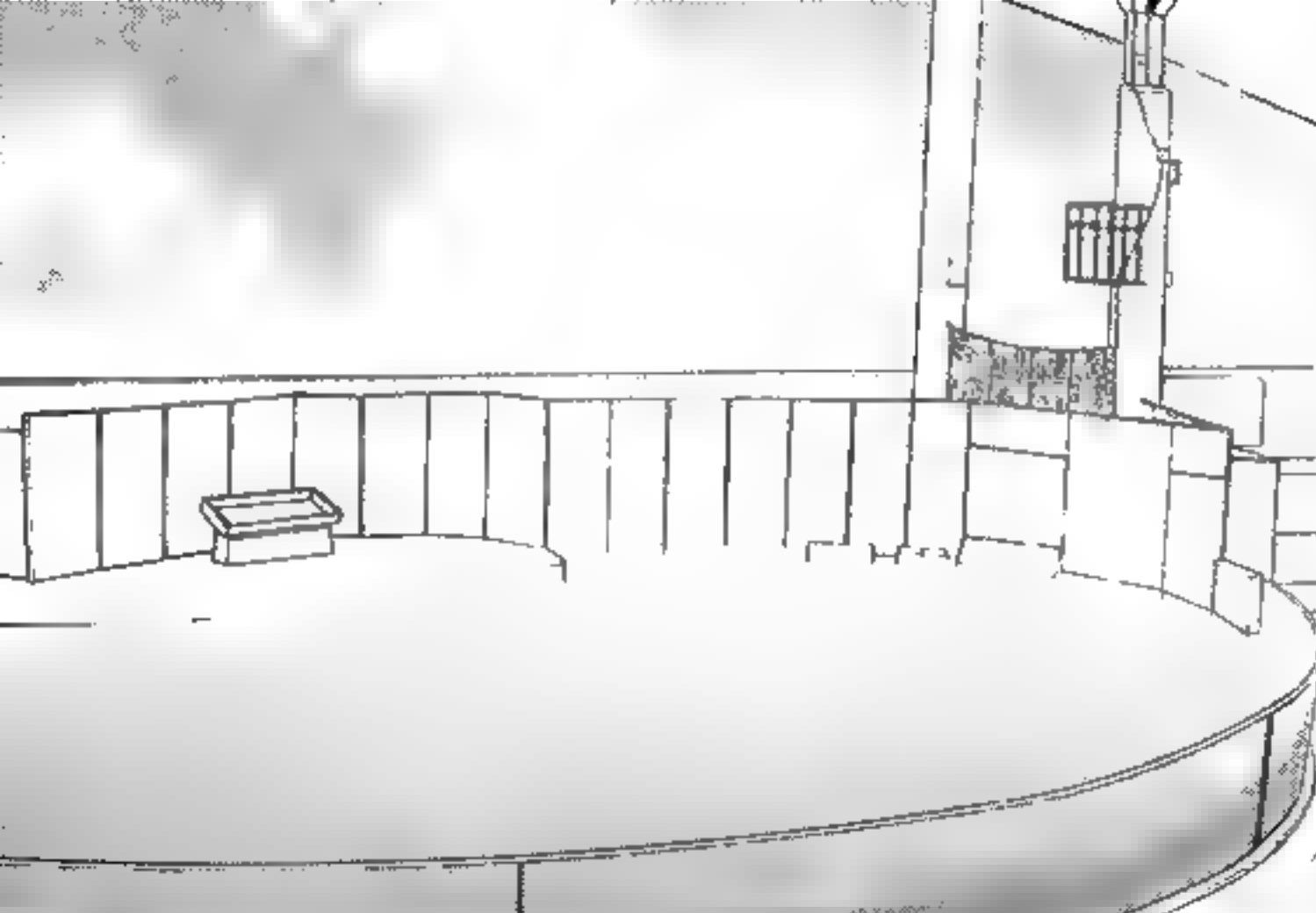


イルカショー

:00~11:30

:00~13:30

:30~15:00



OVER THERE,  
THERE'S AN  
OPEN SPOT!

AH!



NO, BUT  
THIS IS  
SERI-  
OUSLY...

AH...

IT'S REALLY  
PACKED AFTER  
ALL—...

THE VERY  
FRONT...?

IT SHOULD BE  
FINE, SINCE THEY  
AREN'T RESERVED  
SEATS.

Since they're free,  
it would be a  
shame not to take  
them!

Pardon us—

ALL THE WAY IN  
THE FRONT...  
EVERYONE WAS  
RESTRAINING  
THEMSELVES  
AND DIDN'T SIT  
HERE.

THE JAPANESE  
ESPECIALLY.

TN note: "reserved seats" like, for the elderly or physically handicapped.

TN note: This requires a bit of cultural translation; people (especially the Japanese, according to Matsunaga-san) intentionally chose not to sit in the best seats because they thought it would seem a bit pretentious to race for the best seats before anyone else could get to them.





WE MIGHT GET WET SITTING HERE, BUT SINCE IT'S SUMMER IT SHOULD BE OKAY.

TH...

THAT'S TRUE, HUH!

Wahoo — All the way in the front!

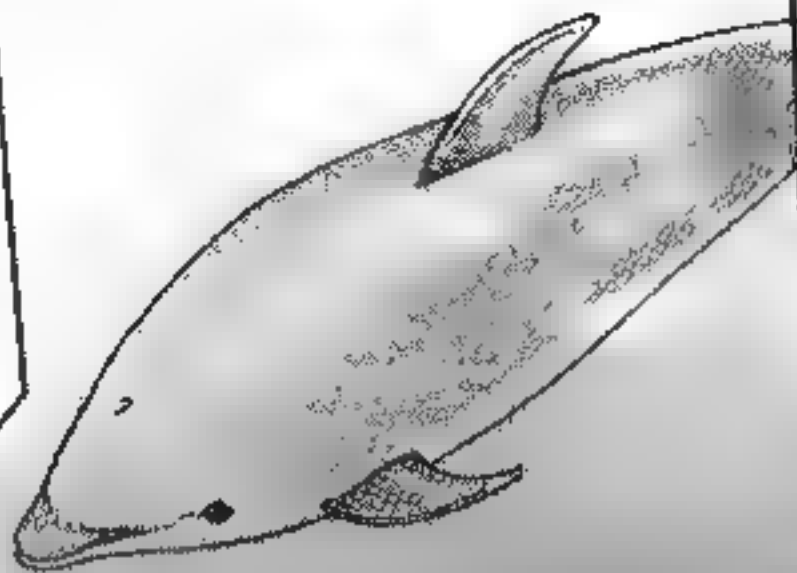
GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYONE!

THANK YOU FOR COMING TO YOKOHAMA MARINE WORLD TODAY!

They're swimming in the pool?

YEAH!

THE DOLPHINS ARE GOING TO SHOW US A LOT OF TRICKS—!



FIRST, LET ME INTRODUCE THE DOLPHINS WHO WILL BE PERFORMING FOR US TODAY!

THE ONE WHO IS SWIMMING VERY ENERGETICALLY RIGHT IN FRONT OF EVERYONE IS A BOY, HIS NAME IS ALTO.

NEXT ARE MERO, ANOTHER MALE, AND MERI, WHO IS FEMALE! NICE TO MEET YOU!



Since dolphins are also mammals, they breast-feed like humans do

THEY AREN'T SCARY AT ALL!

...Shiharu-tan, is the dolphin-san

Cool? Scary?

I'M LOOKING!

Sei-tan, look, look, look —! Incredible!

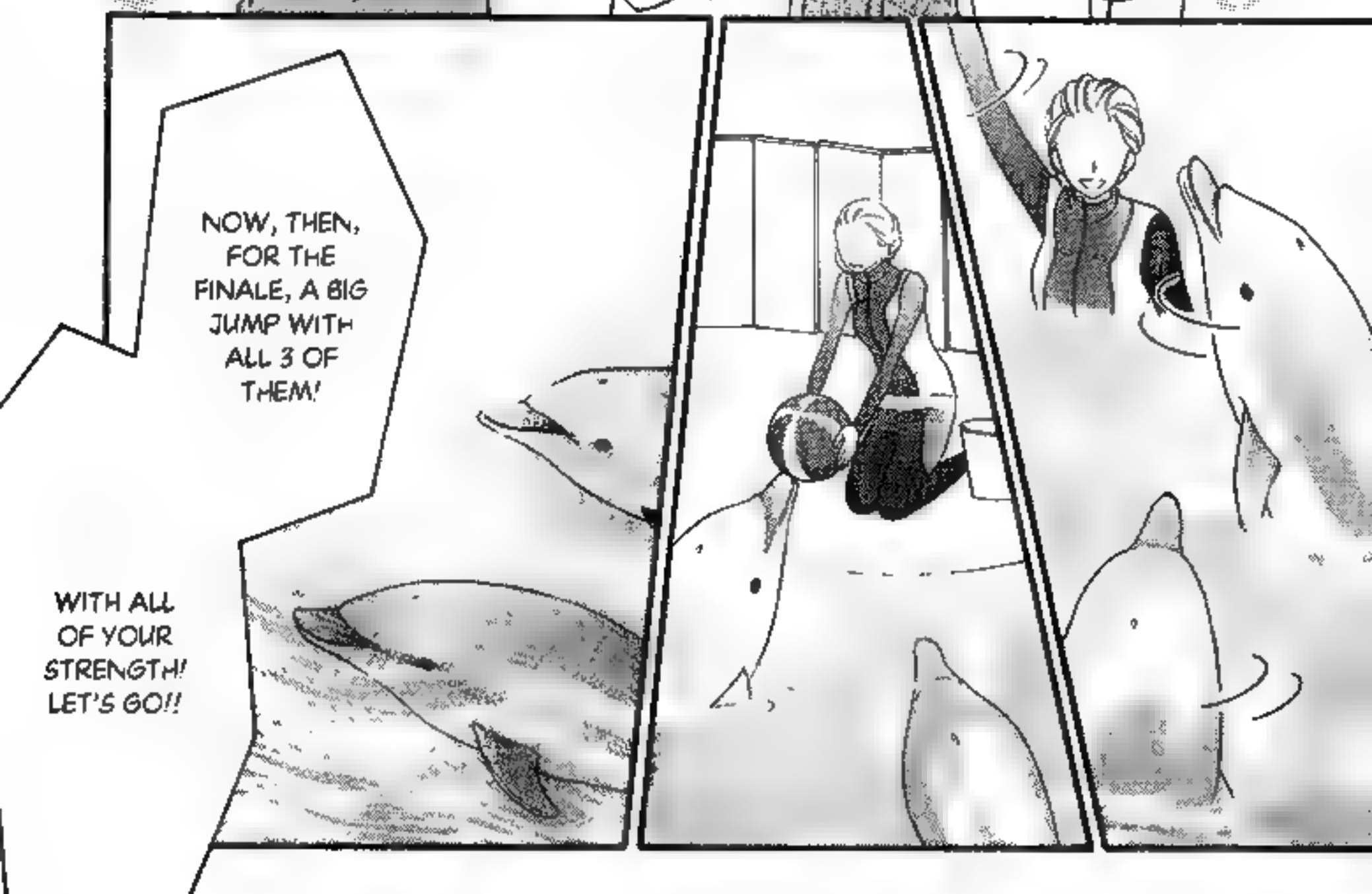
FLAIL FLAIL

The fishie is so cool!

IT'S A "DOLPHIN"!

NOW, THEN, FOR THE FINALE, A BIG JUMP WITH ALL 3 OF THEM!

WITH ALL OF YOUR STRENGTH! LET'S GO!!







FWOOSH

WOW



I'M  
VERY  
SORRY  
TO EVE-  
RYONE  
SITTING  
IN THE  
FRONT  
ROW!

IT SEEMS THAT  
A BIT MORE  
WATER WAS  
SPLASHED  
TODAY THAN  
USUAL!

AH!

**SPLASH**

**Hwah!**

DRIP

DRIP

**Ah ah ah a**

**I'M  
TOTALLY  
SOAKED!**

...SORRY...  
THAT IT  
TURNED OUT  
LIKE THIS...

But it was  
worth it; that  
jump was  
amazing!





HERE.



The dolphins  
were so cool,  
right?!

LET'S  
GET YOUR  
BODY  
DRIED  
OFF.

WITH THIS,  
THE DOLPHIN  
SHOW PRO-  
GRAM IS  
NOW COM-  
LETE,

BUT PLEASE  
ENJOY THE  
REST OF  
YOUR STAY  
AT YOKO-  
HAMA  
MARINE  
WORLD!



NO, I'M  
FINE...

ANYWAYS,  
NAKAMURA-  
SAN IS  
WETTER  
THAN I AM!

MATSUNAGA-  
SAN, IF YOU  
DON'T MIND,  
PLEASE USE  
THIS.

It's a clean  
one









YEAH, THE  
ATMOSPHERE IS  
A BIT DIFFERENT,  
BUT IT'S DEFINI-  
TELY HIM!!



Ah!

YOU'RE HIM,  
AREN'T  
YOU?! THE  
ONE FROM  
TV...!



YEAH, YOU  
WERE ON  
THE EVEN-  
ING NEWS  
AND SOME  
COOKING  
SHOWS...



I THOUGHT  
SO!  
HEY,  
LET'S TAKE A  
PICTURE IN  
COMMEMORA-  
TION!



IT'S NOTHING TO  
TAKE NOTICE OF  
TO SUCH AN  
EXTENT ...

IT... IT'S  
CERTAINLY  
TRUE THAT  
I DO  
APPEAR  
ON TV,  
BUT



NAKAMURA-  
SAN,  
SORRY...  
GIVE ME A  
MINUTE!

NA-

MATSUNAGA-  
SAN!!



HIS FACE  
IS EVEN  
CUTER  
THAN IT  
APPEARS  
ON TV,  
DON'T YOU  
THINK—?!



I WONDER IF HE'S ON AN INCOGNITO DATE WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND OR SOMETHING—

BUT, YOU KNOW, THERE'S NO WAY HE'D COME TO A PLACE LIKE THIS BY HIMSELF.

EH, I DON'T KNOW

ISN'T HE AN ENTERTAINER?

WHAT? AN ENTERTAINER?

WE'LL GET IN THE WAY OF OTHER CUSTOMERS HERE, SO

LET'S GO OVER THERE...

Kyaa

A right

Let's link arms

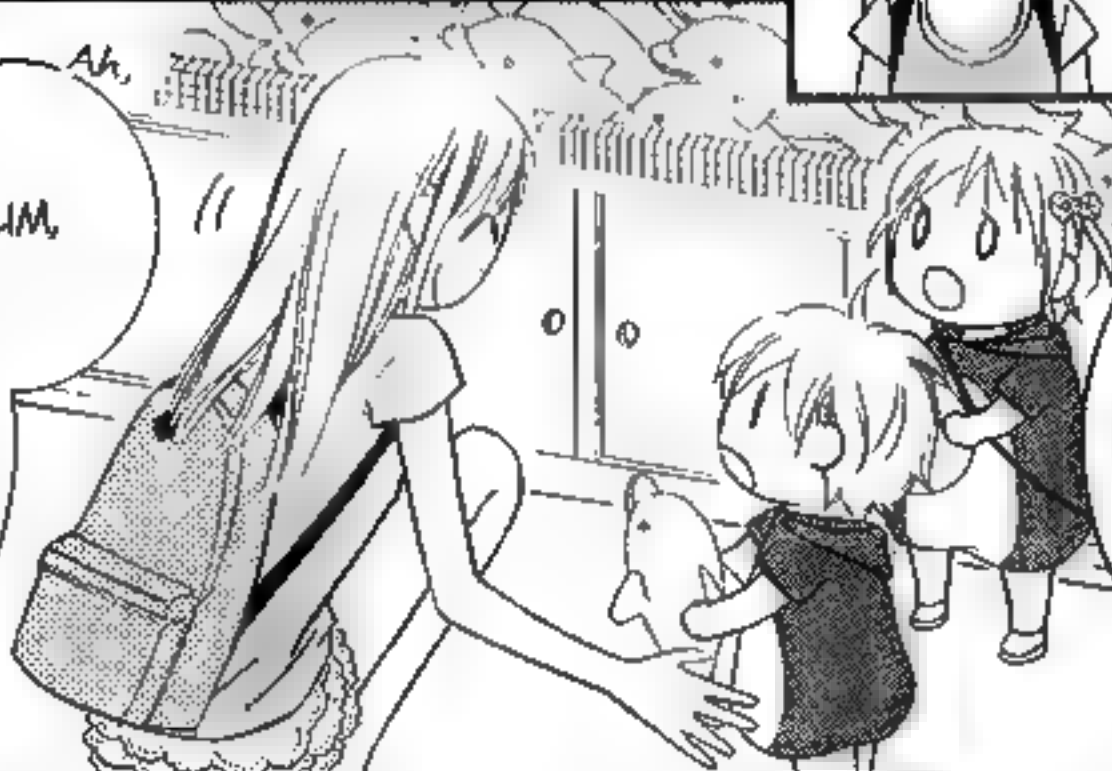


...

Let's wait for him at the bench over there.

UM,


HE SAID HE'S GOING TO TAKE A PICTURE AND THEN HE'LL BE RIGHT BACK!



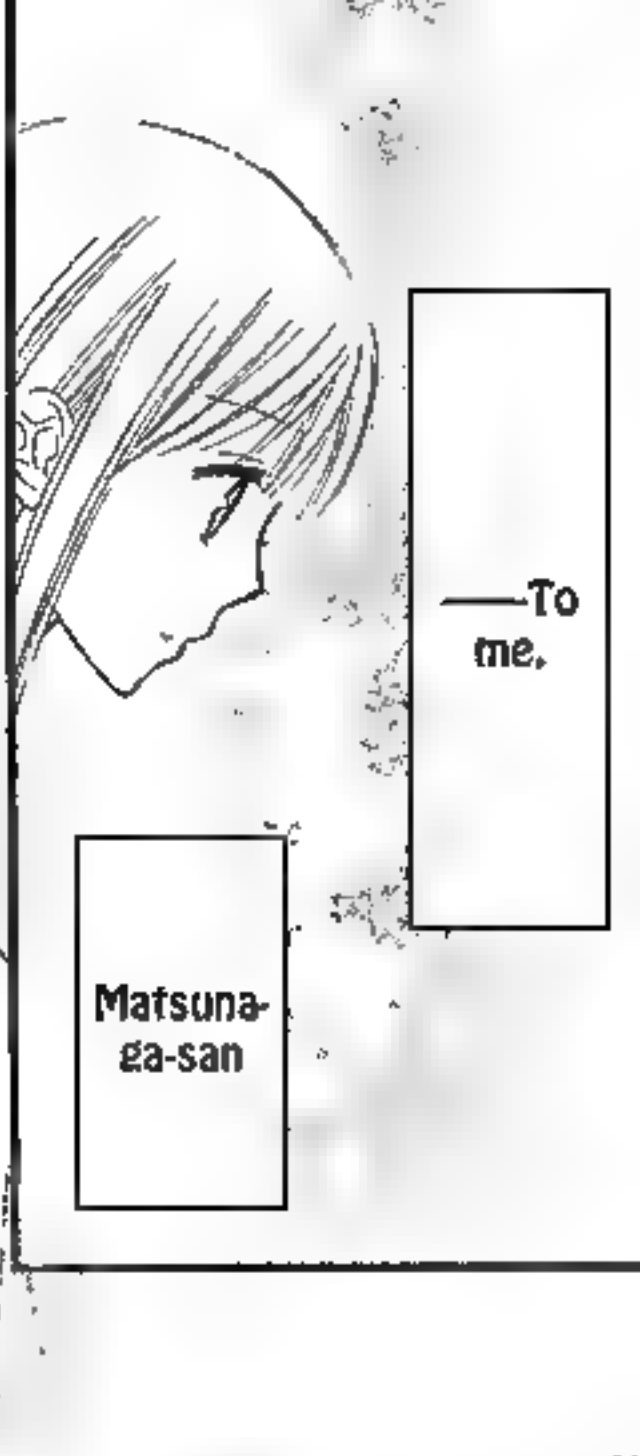
Shiharu-tan,

Where did Sei-tan go?






has become  
a completely  
normal part  
of my life,  
but——




——To  
me,

Matsuna-  
ga-san



*Fukane-chan  
and Fioi-kun  
never existed,*

*Perhaps  
if*



in the  
world  
who I've  
never  
met.

he would  
be just  
another  
person

Up until  
now he  
has  
always  
been

treating  
me like  
family.

If that  
were the  
case

and coming  
to support  
me.

Taking me to  
various places  
like today,

It would be  
really terrible,  
right...?!

Although we  
were once  
mistaken as a  
married  
couple, but...

NAKAMURA-  
SAN!

GLANCE GLANCE

IN A PLACE  
LIKE THIS...  
WHERE THERE  
ARE SO MANY  
PEOPLE, WE  
MIGHT GET  
MISTAKEN  
AGAIN...

I USED TO BE  
REALLY CON-  
CERNED WITH  
NOT CAUSING ANY  
PROBLEMS, BUT  
LATELY I'VE  
BECOME COM-  
PLETELY LACKING  
IN VIGILANCE...

Because of

how kindly

SORRY

FOR MAKING  
YOU WAIT.

he smiles at me







*There's no way I can*

*take advantage of that  
smiling face—...*

LOVE

SO

ライフ  
LIFE



**Chapter 44**



It's now the end of the summer in which I fully realized that if I'm around Matsunaga-san without keeping my guard up for impending danger.

I'll end up causing a lot of problems for him—



スライド

SLIDE

Everyone seems to be doing well—!



GOOD MORNING—!

Nevertheless, without even recalling having reached this resolution...

2-D

The 2nd Semester is beginning today.





During September

in the fall of our 2nd year of high school

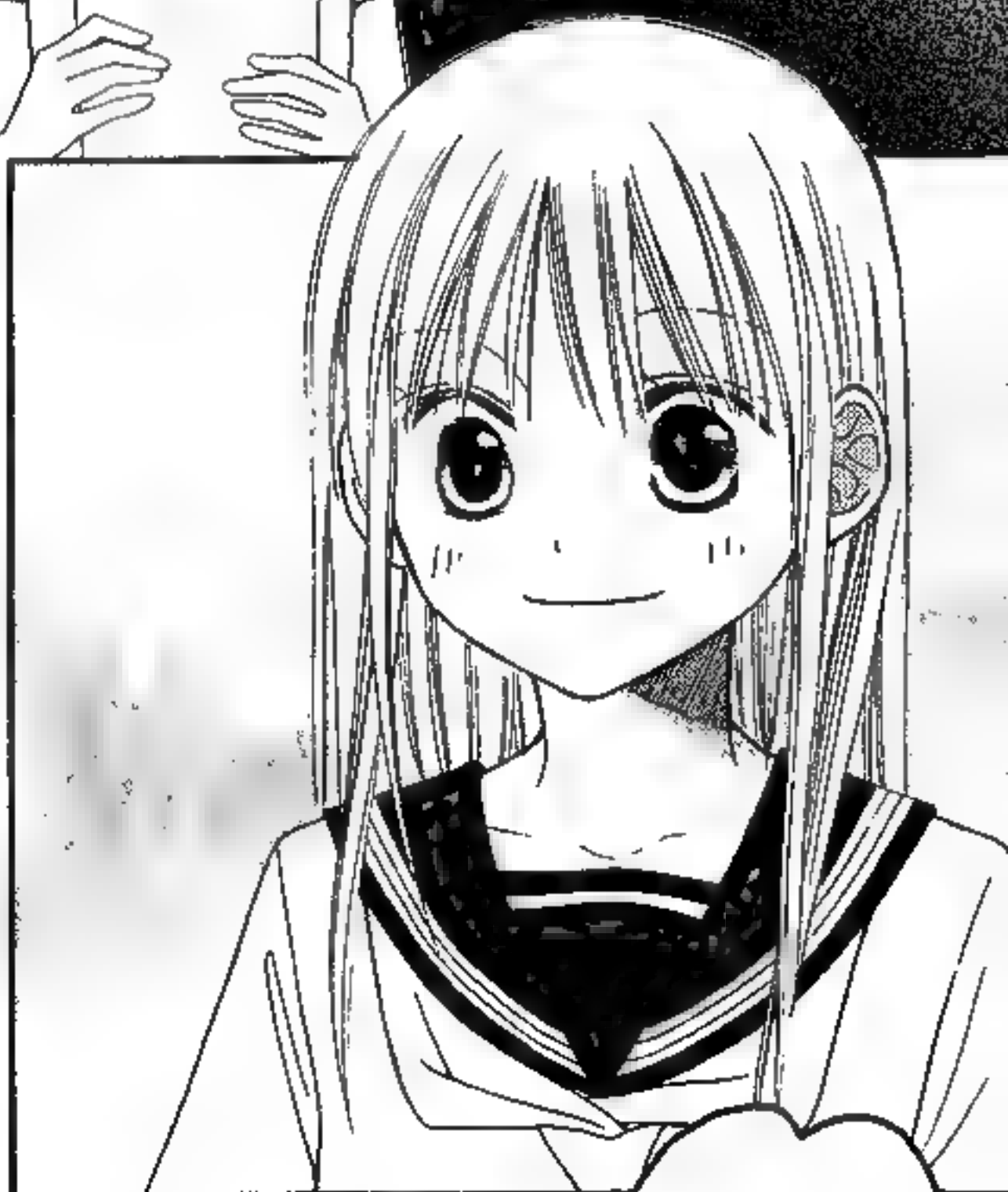
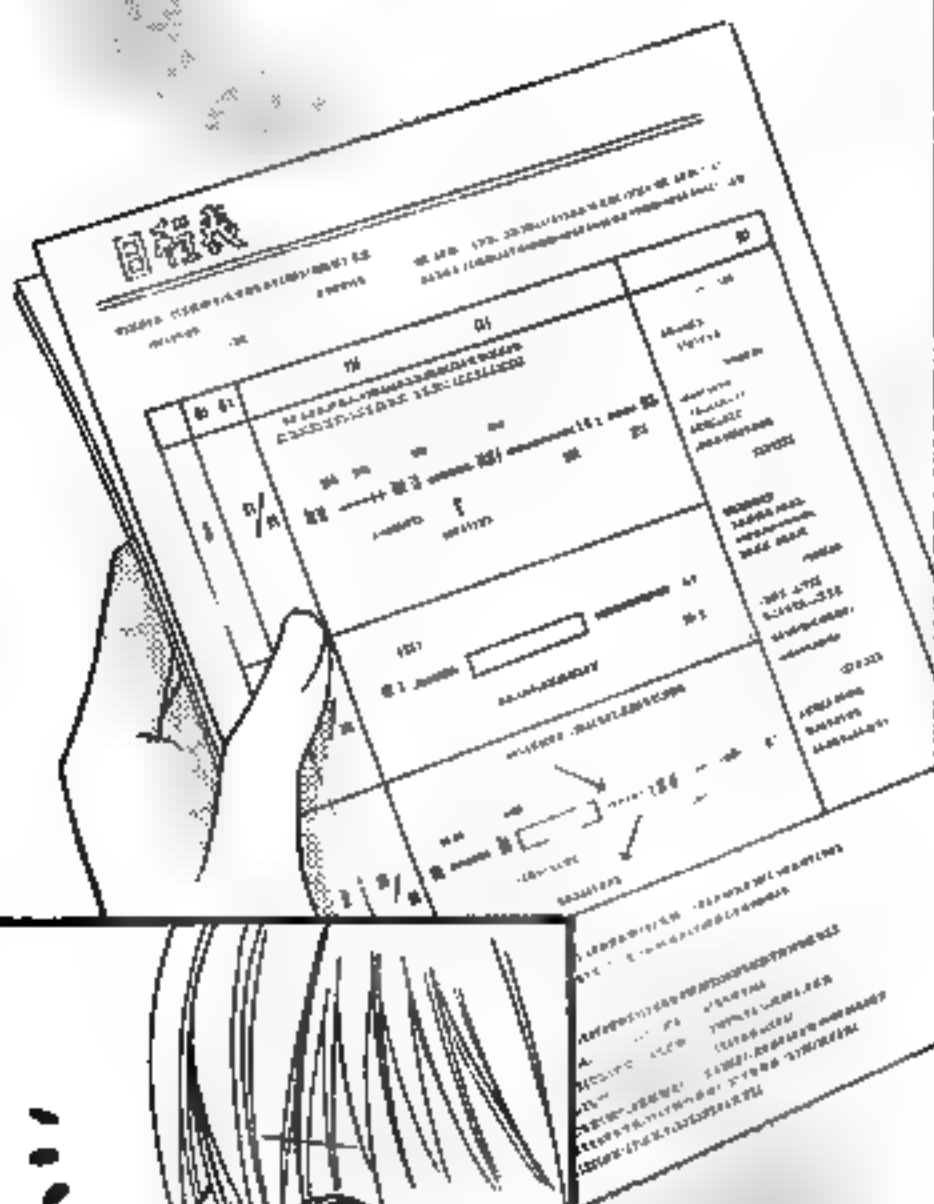
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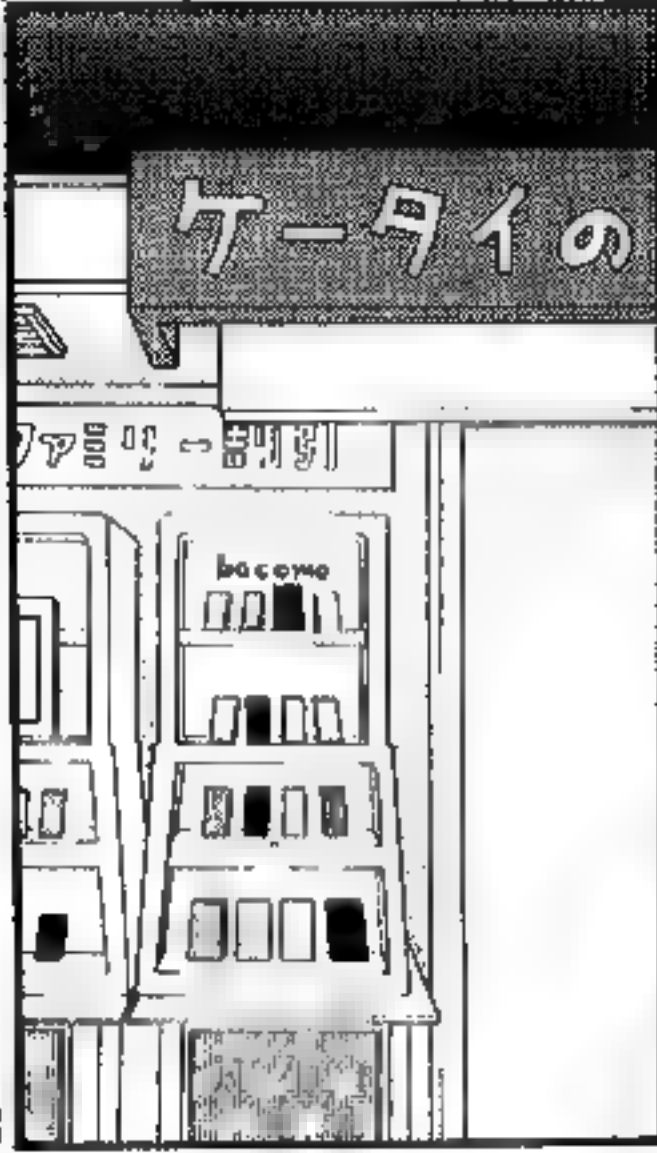
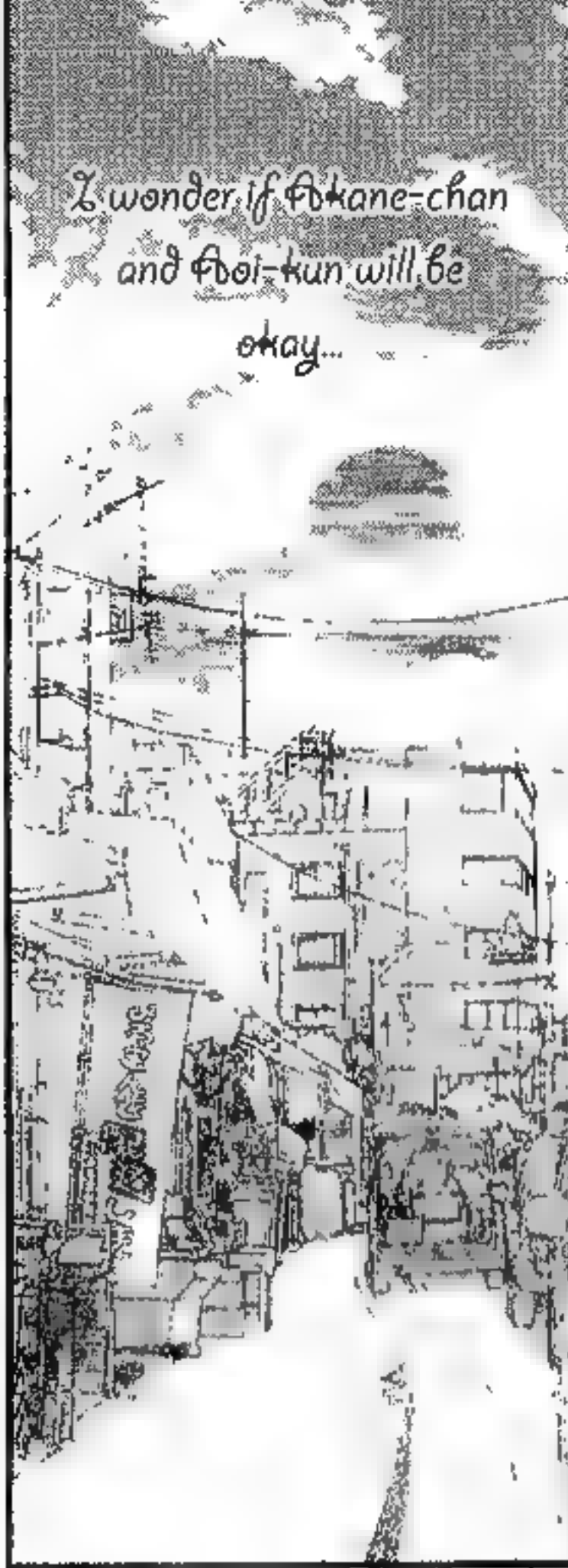
ONCE YOU DECIDE  
ON YOUR GROUPS  
FOR FREE TIME  
AND ROOMING  
ASSIGNMENTS,  
PLEASE HAND IN  
THE REPORT!

THIS YEAR'S  
SCHOOL TRIP  
WILL BE TO  
HOKKAIDO!

It's a 3-day-2-night  
school trip!









IF I HAVE ONE,  
EVERYONE WILL  
PROBABLY END UP  
WANTING THEM...

It's a cellphone—!



But

If I have one of these even if  
I'm far away they can contact  
me any time any place

That's right!  
A cellphone!

AH... THANK  
YOU VERY  
MUCH!

There's one  
for each  
carrier

IF YOU'D LIKE,  
PLEASE TAKE A  
CATALOG.

AKANE-CHAN,  
AOI-KUN,  
MATSUNAGA-SAN,



I UNDER-  
STAND.

I'LL DEPEND  
ON THE 24-  
HOUR DAY-  
CARE.

IN THE  
NEAR  
FUTURE,

I'D LIKE TO TAKE  
3 DAYS OFF FOR  
THE SCHOOL  
TRIP, BUT...

IT'S THE  
WEEK  
AFTER  
NEXT...



ooo



Skoo— twip?

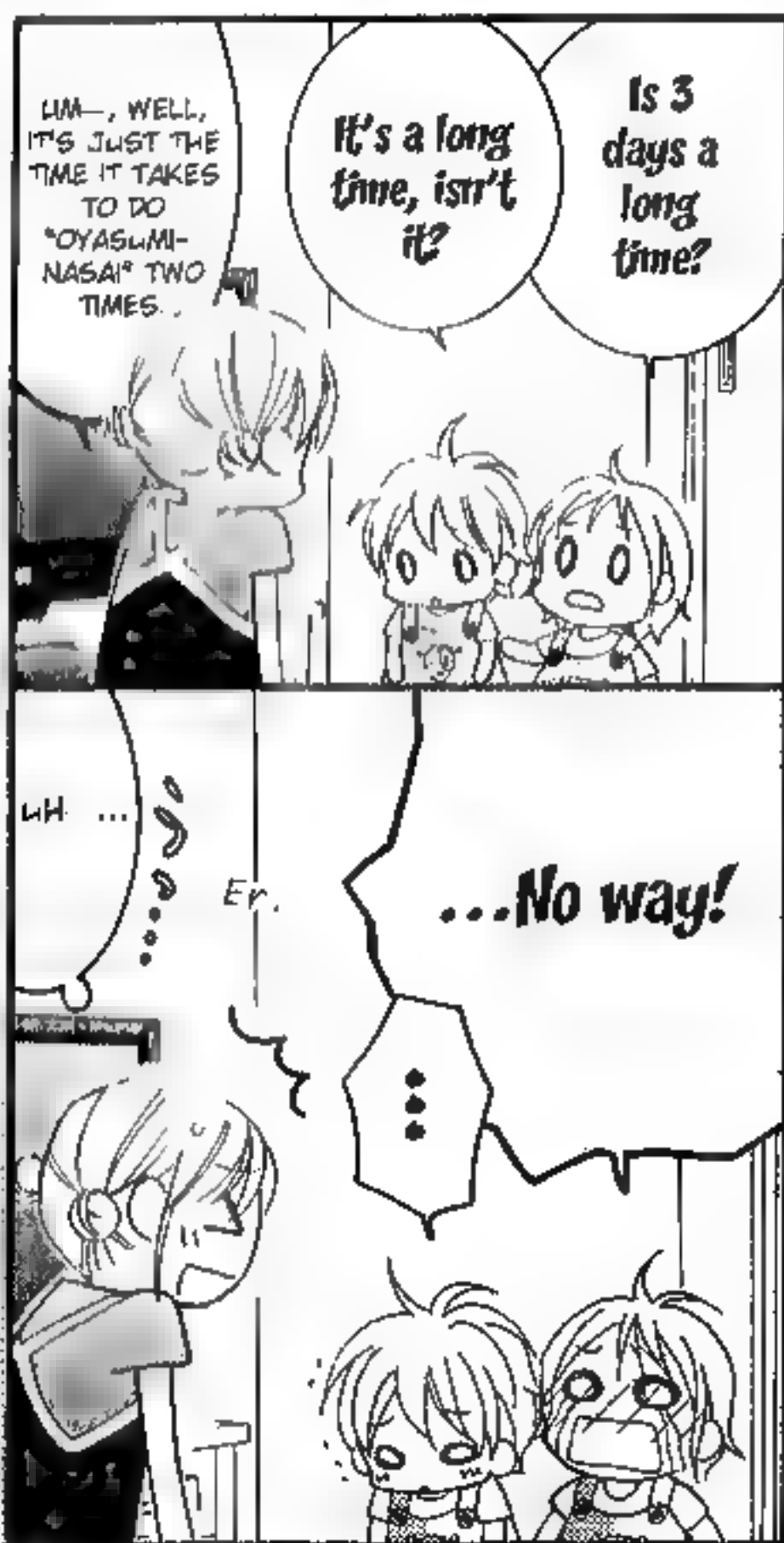
YEAH. BUT I'LL  
COME BACK  
AFTER 3 DAYS,  
SO DON'T  
WORRY, OKAY?



During summer break, too, I made them feel lonely the time I twisted my ankle...

Aside from anything else, having been abandoned by their papa.

They really are pitiable aren't they.







Then, at least,

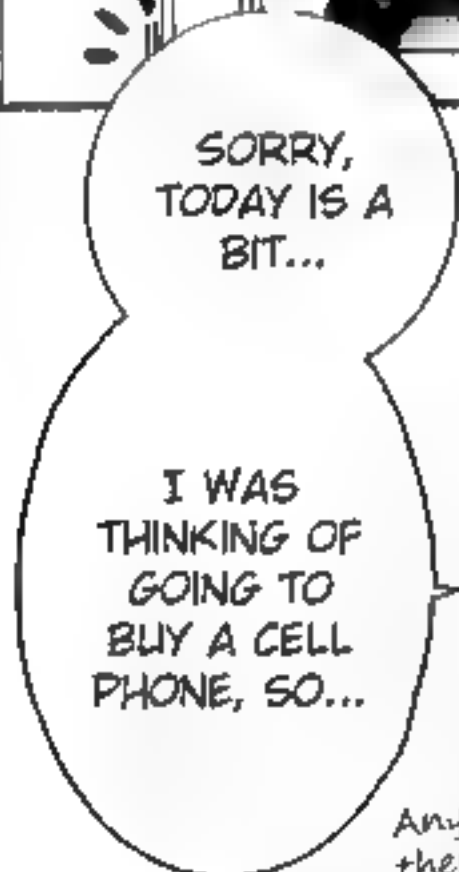
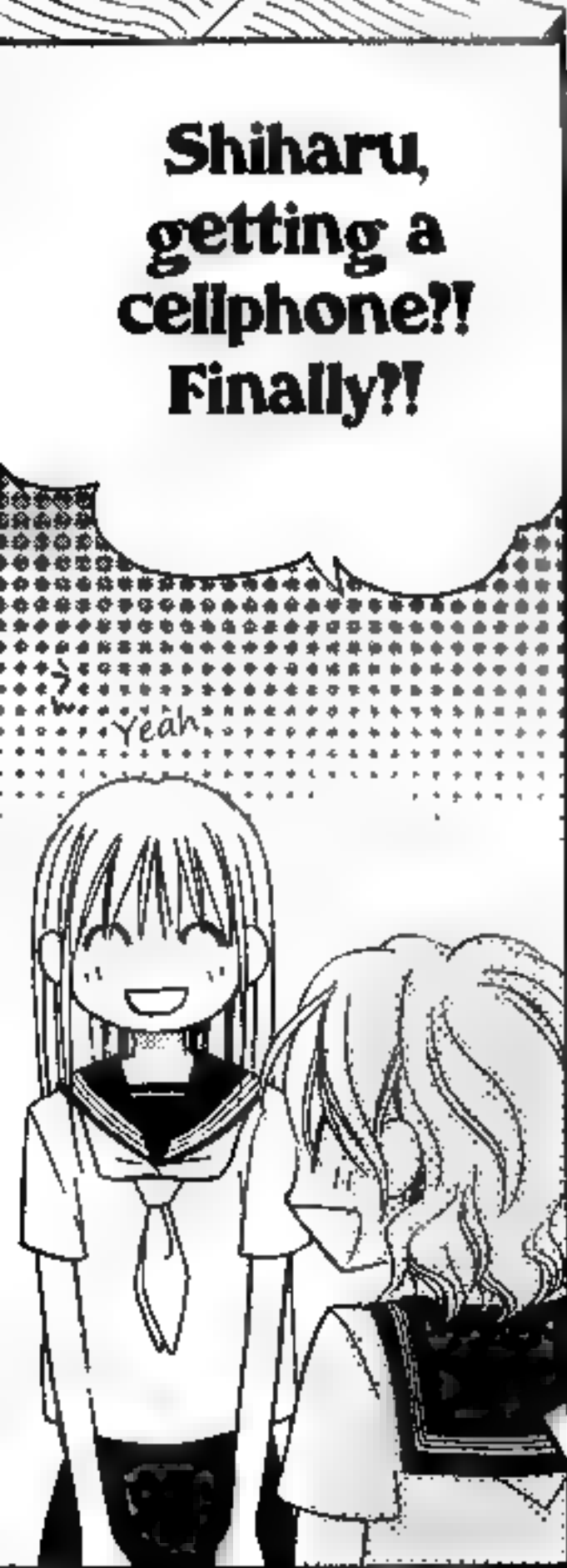
so that we can talk  
at any time.

I'll go get



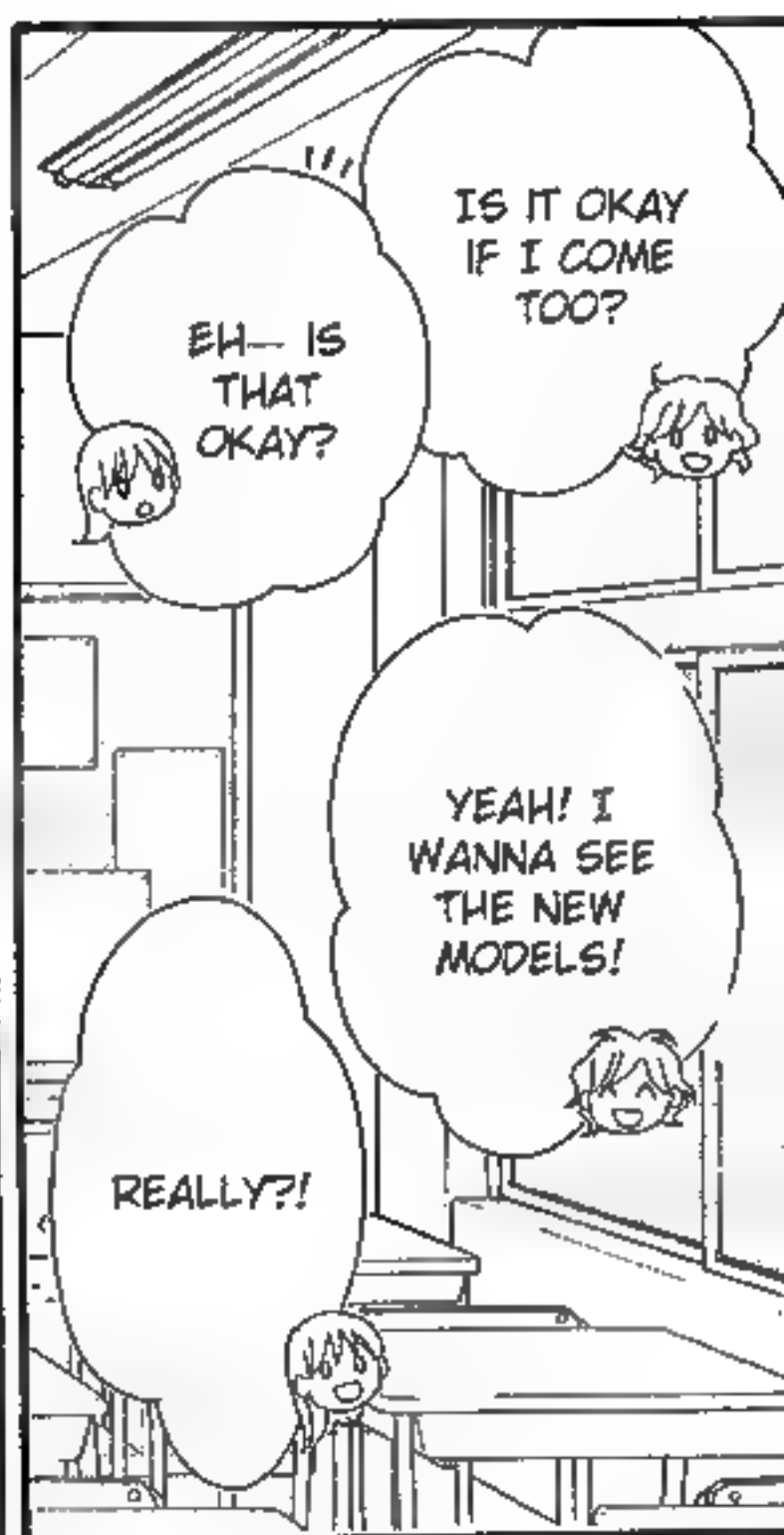
R...  
REALLY...?

YES.



Anyways, there's no need to repay the favor







My first  
cellphone!!

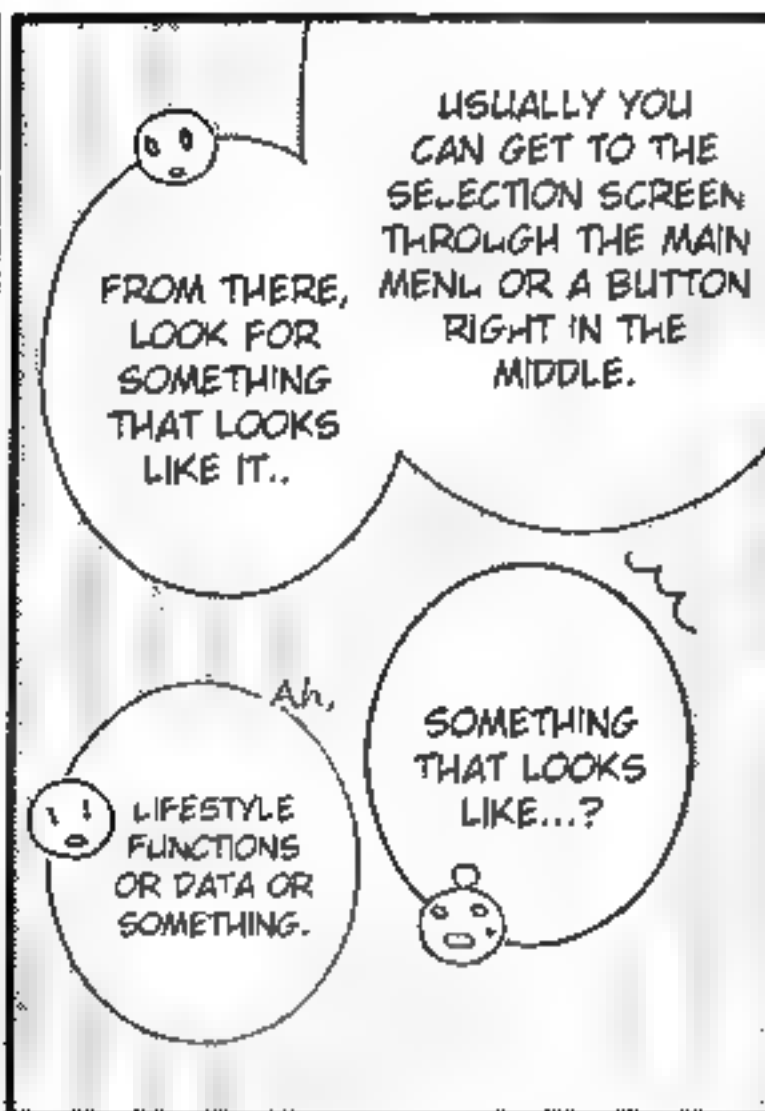


TN: Most Japanese cellphones have this feature, which as I understand it is somewhat similar to Bluetooth: you hold your cellphones close to each other and press a button on both phones and they automatically detect each others' contact information and add it to their own contact list.























If I don't  
preemptively take any  
countermeasures

then having braced  
myself won't have any  
meaning



I need to come  
up with a concrete  
strategy—!!





Drag

Drag

This is my  
boyfriend!

Shiharu-tan,  
look, look!

EHHH

?!?

I don't know if  
Kento-kun  
understands the  
meaning of  
boyfriend

?

We're going on a  
date today, so  
make my hair  
pretty—♡







YEAH—  
THAT'S  
RIGHT—

Just a bit  
more,  
huh—?

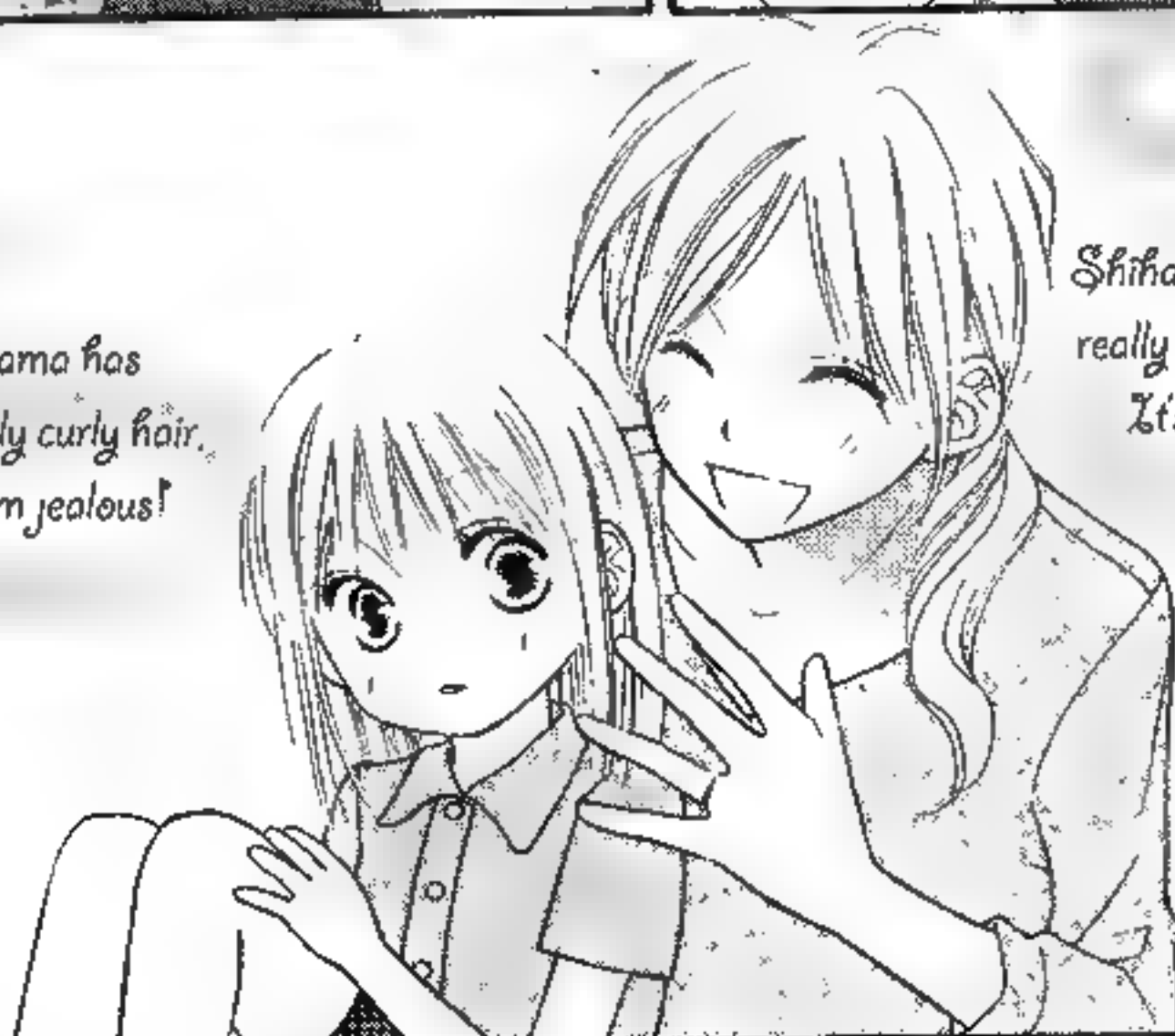
I'll become  
the same as  
Shiharu-tan?



AKANE-CHAN'S  
HAIR HAS  
GOTTEN  
LONGER, HUH?

Mama has  
naturally curly hair,  
so I'm jealous!

You should  
definitely grow  
your hair long ♡



Shiharu, your hair is  
really beautiful—  
It's so swishy ♪

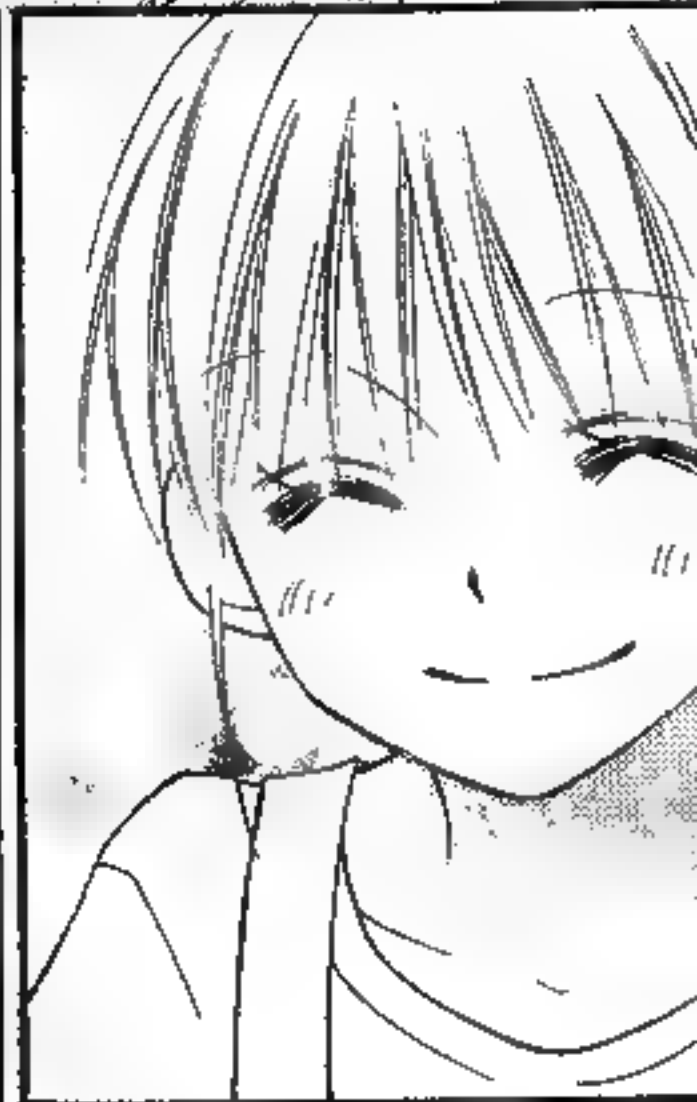


Although their  
faces are the  
same...

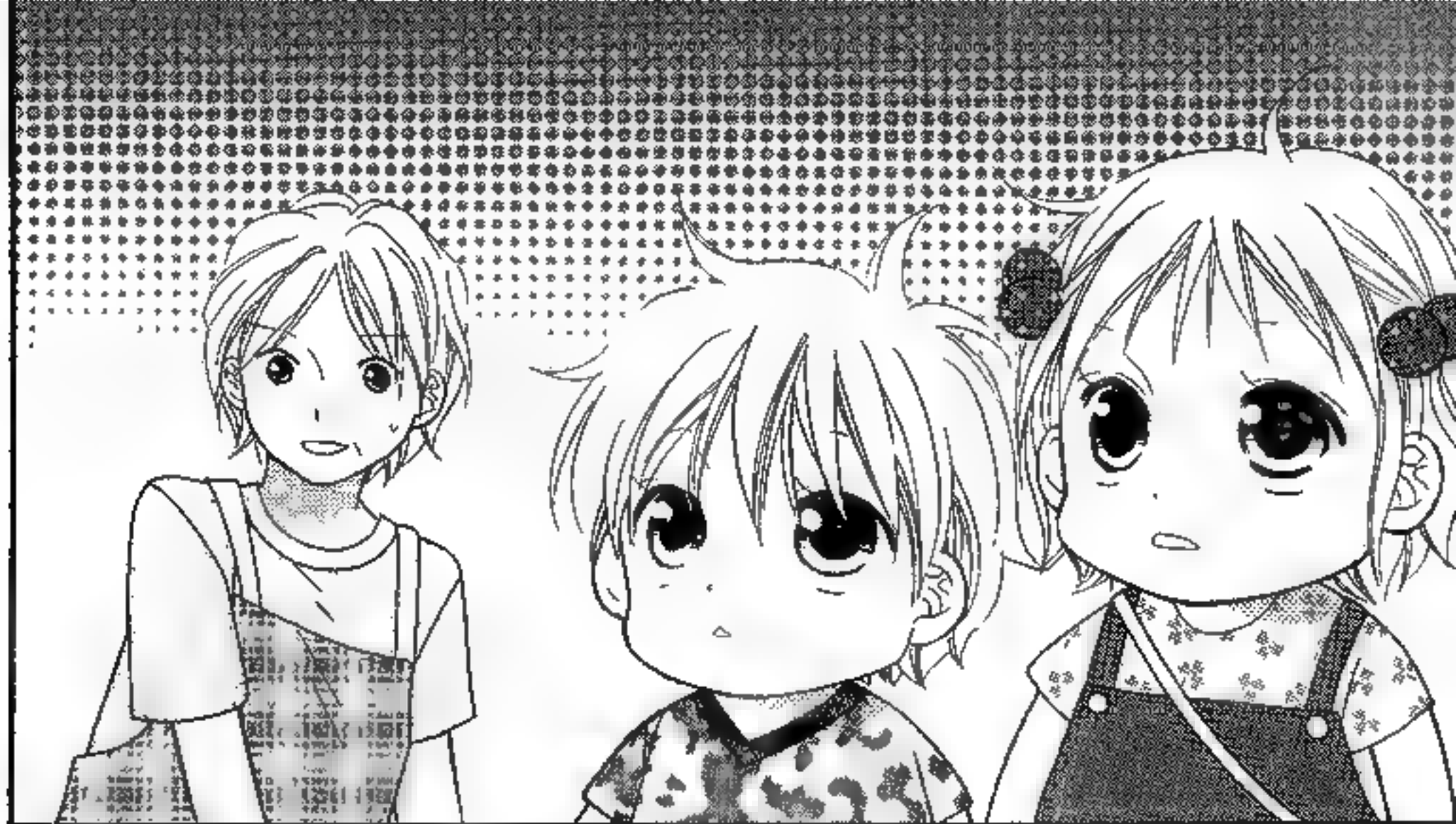


ALTHOUGH  
YOUR FACE IS A  
SPITTING IMAGE  
OF ADI-KUN'S,  
WHEN YOU DO  
THAT IT'S  
OBVIOUS  
YOU'RE A  
GIRL...

OH MY,  
AKANE-CHAN,  
YOUR HAIR IS  
SO CUTE













EH?!

Is that so?

BECAUSE I GOT  
TAKERU-KUN'S  
MOTHER TO  
SPREAD IT  
AROUND THAT  
YOU ARE MY  
"COUSIN"...

ON THAT  
FRONT, I  
THINK IT  
WILL BE  
OKAY.



...

I'M SORRY  
FOR DECID-  
ING ALL BY  
MYSELF..

I SHOULD  
HAVE TOLD  
YOU AHEAD  
OF TIME,  
HUH?



were preemptively  
countered

My preemptive  
countermeasures



NAKAMURA-  
SAN,

BUT,



IT'S A SHAME  
TO HIDE IT

A black and white manga-style illustration showing two men from behind as they walk away. The man in the foreground has long, dark hair and is wearing a dark jacket. The man behind him is wearing a cap and a light-colored jacket. The background is a simple, light gray.



WHEN YOU'VE  
GOT SUCH PRETTY  
HAIR.

A close-up, black and white illustration of a man's face in profile, looking down. He has long, dark hair and is wearing a dark jacket. The background is a simple, light gray.



...DON'T  
YOU  
THINK?

A close-up, black and white illustration of a man's face in profile, looking down. He has long, dark hair and is wearing a dark jacket. The background is a simple, light gray.







Huh?

She was in  
that much of  
a hurry?



He only said the  
same thing...

as mama used to,  
right?



タタタタタ

TAP TAP TAP TAP TAP

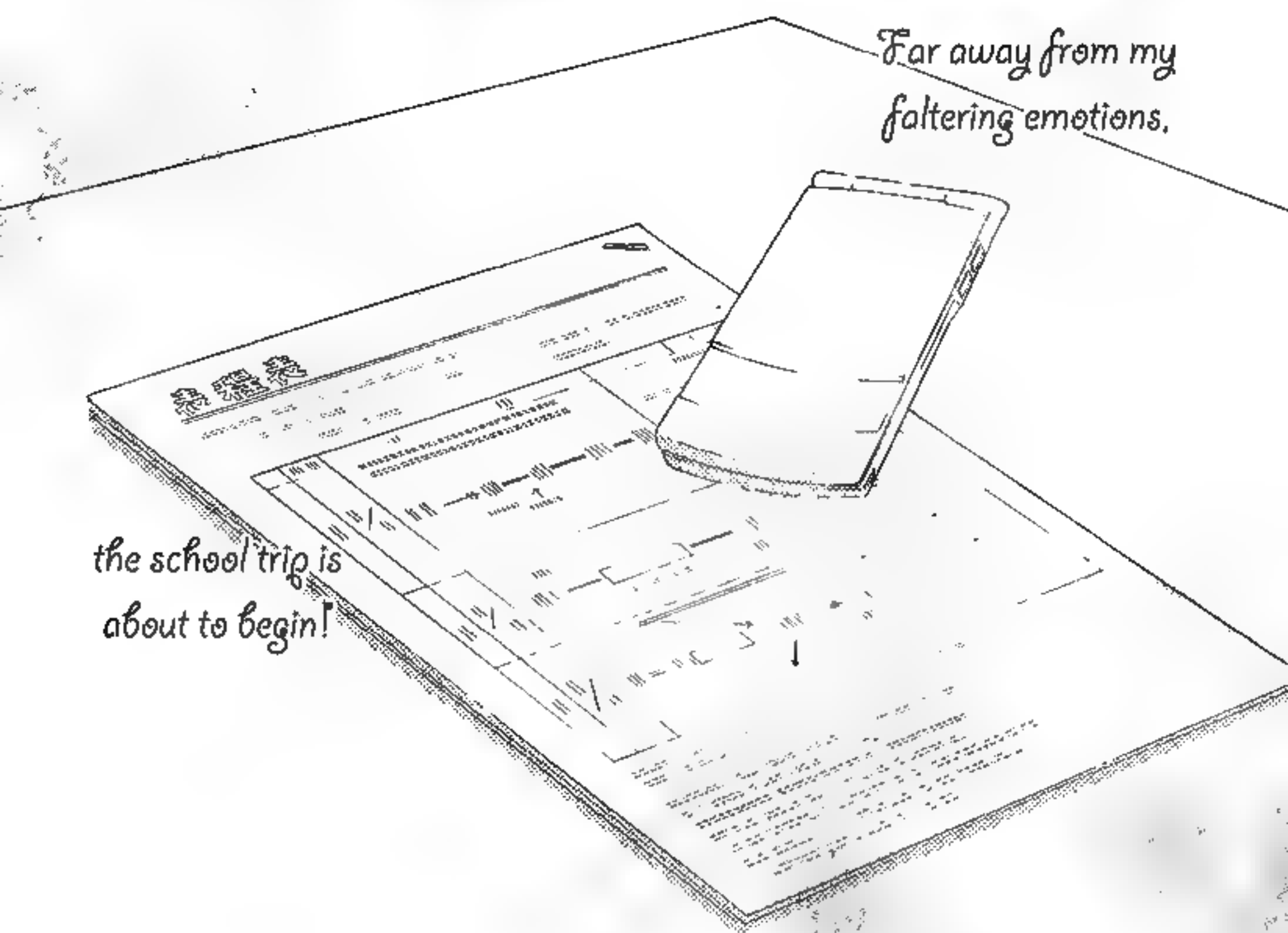
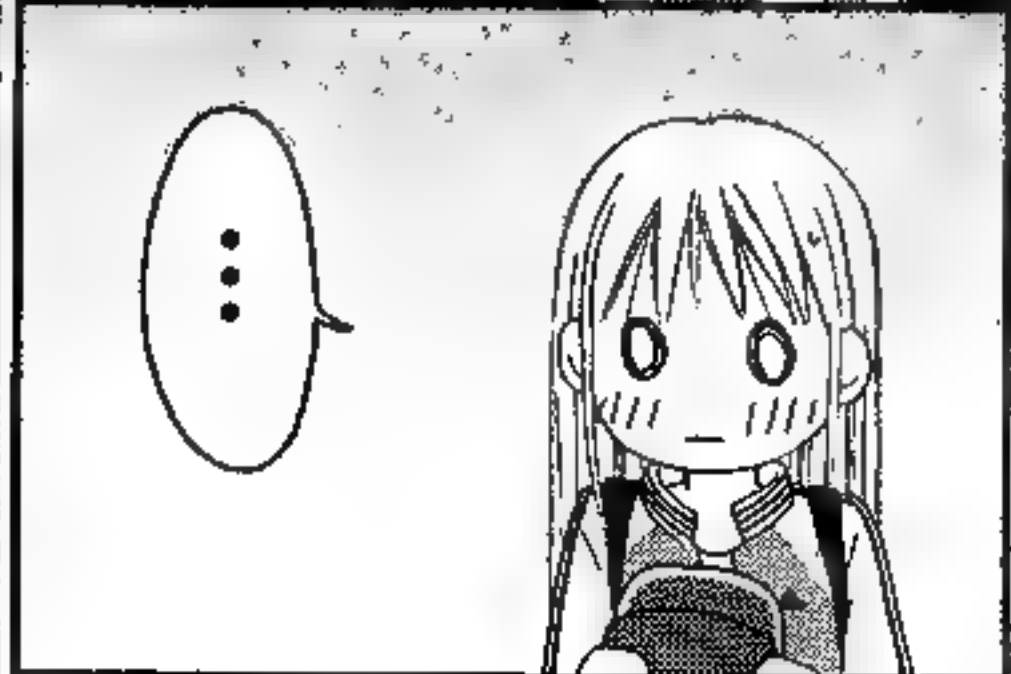
STOP SHORT





It's so  
pretty—





# LOVE SO LIFE



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COME IN.



AH...

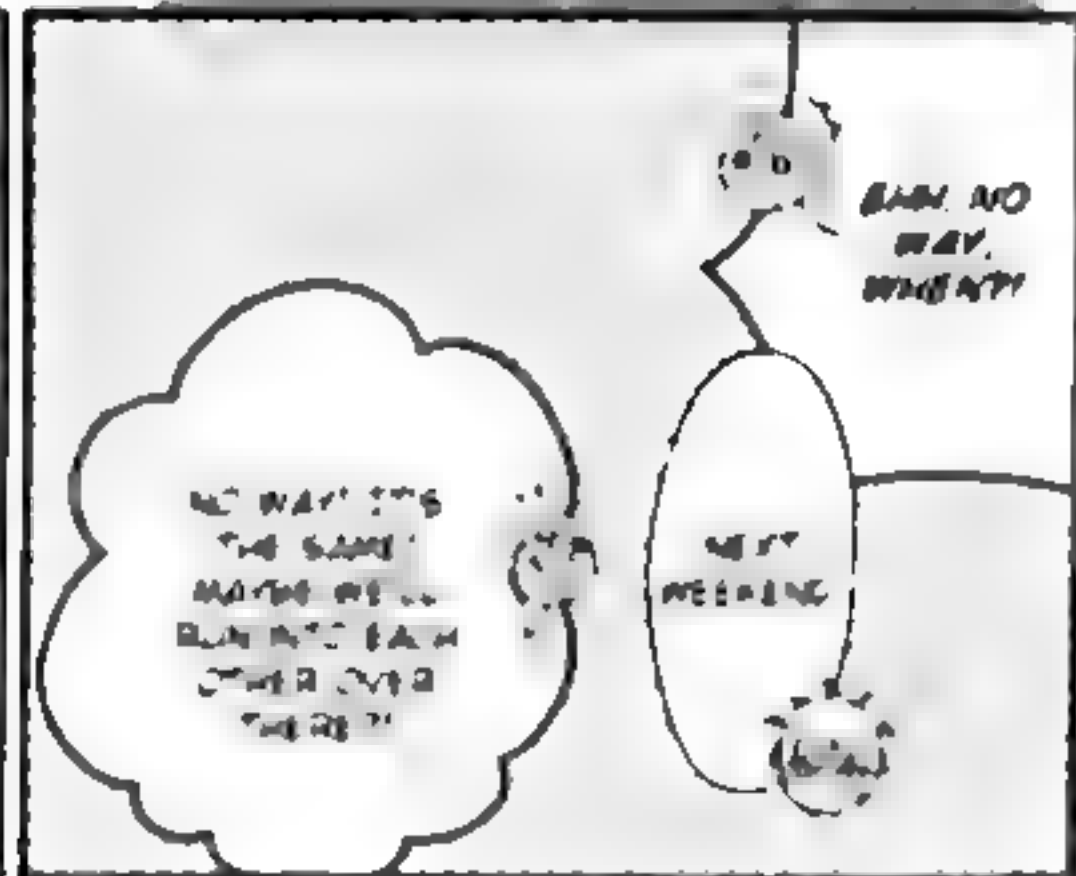
UM...



NAO-KUN, ARE  
YOU ALONE  
RIGHT NOW?

OPEN

YEAH,  
WHAT IS IT?





Heh...

If we'd gone  
to the same  
high school...

SCHOOL  
TRIP...  
HUH?

WE'RE GOING  
TO FURANO.

And to  
Otaru

WHERE IS  
YOUR  
SCHOOL  
VISITING?

we would  
normally be  
touring the  
same places,  
but...

THERE'S NO  
WAY I CAN GO  
TO THE SAME  
HIGH SCHOOL AS  
NAO-KUN—

IT'S  
IMPOSSIBLE

Nao and Shiharu,  
Summer of Their  
3rd Year of  
Middle School

I'M FINE  
WITH A  
SCHOOL THAT  
I CAN GET  
INTO WITH MY  
CURRENT  
LEVEL!

The "no matter how hard  
she tries, never succeeds"

↓ Type

The "if you try you  
will succeed" Type

PUT IN THE  
EFFORT TO  
RAISE YOUR  
LEVEL AT  
LEAST A  
LITTLE BIT!

IT'LL BE  
FINE, SO  
TRY PRO-  
PERLY!



Divided by a  
wall known as  
GPA.



AH?

NAO-KUN?  
ARE YOU  
LISTENING?

YEAH...

the two of them  
ended up going to  
schools that  
matched up with  
their respective  
academic levels.



Tch!



OBEY  
MATSUNAGA-SAN  
PROPERLY, OKAY?

WHICH MEANS,  
AKANE-CHAN,  
AOI-KUN,

THAT STARTING  
TOMORROW, I  
WON'T BE HERE  
FOR 3 DAYS, BUT





AKANE... AOI...  
YOU'RE MAKING  
TOO BIG OF A  
DEAL OVER  
JUST 3 DAYS...

But... it seems  
that to little  
children, 1 day  
feels like much  
longer than  
it does to  
adults...

I'm really very  
sorry.

BESIDES, LOOK,  
WE CAN TALK ON  
THE PHONE AT  
ANY TIME!

IT'S GOING TO  
BE FINE! 3  
DAYS WILL  
PASS IN A  
FLASH!

RIGHT?

I come  
with  
you

Being  
Ignored







And so.

finally...

vrooom

INCREDIBLE!  
WE'RE  
ABOVE THE  
CLOUDS—!!

IT'S SO  
PRETTY !!

THANK  
YOU...

AM TRYING TO  
DECIDE HOW TO  
CHOOSE WHICH  
RAMEN SHOP TO  
GO TO OUT OF  
SO MANY...

NO WAY  
MORE  
IMPORTANTLY,  
I

RIO, LOOK I  
WE'RE FLYING IN  
THE SKY—!!



We made it!

ついに

IT'S SO CHILLY!


ALTHOUGH WE'RE STILL IN JAPAN, EVERYTHING 'S COM-

IS YOU DON'T WEAR A JACKET YOU'LL CATCH A COLD


Let's some snacks




IT'S SO  
HU-GE!!



How...  
wild  
fox—!!



AKANE-CHAN,  
AOI-KUN, RIGHT  
NOW MR. FOX  
IS...



So pretty—  
I'm going  
to take a  
picture—











THANKS!

I'LL TAKE A PICTURE OF YOU GUYS ON THAT SIDE—!

It's yummy!



NAO-KUN?

EH?

THE ONE WE DID THE TEST OF COURAGE WITH?



THAT'S RIGHT.

NAO-KUN'S SCHOOL IS ALSO IN HOKKAIDO RIGHT NOW—



...AH!

THERE'S A MESSAGE FROM NAO-KUN!





SPEAKING  
OF  
NAO-KUN,

HOW IS IT  
GOING,  
SHIHARU?



HE SAID THAT  
RIGHT NOW  
THEY'RE IN  
AKANKO.

FOR  
REAL?!  
WHAT  
AREA?

EHH?!

EHH—

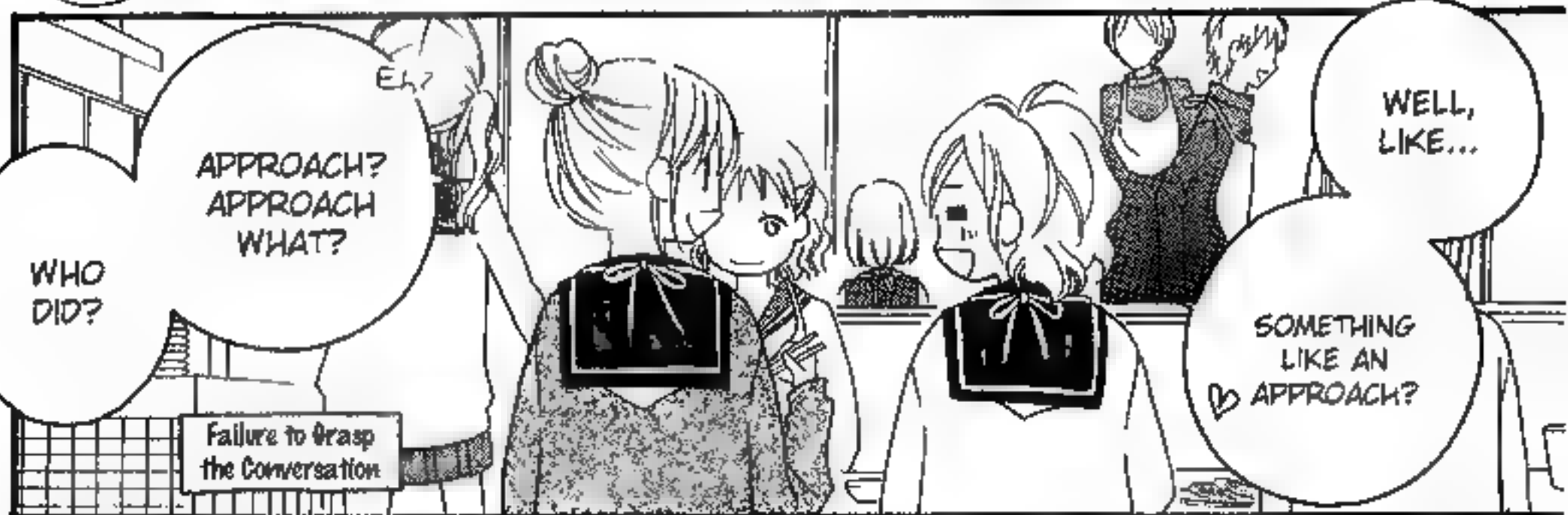
ISN'T  
THAT  
NICE!

WE'LL BOTH BE  
IN SAPPORO ON  
THE LAST DAY,  
SO I'VE BEEN  
WONDERING IF  
WE'LL BLMP  
INTO EACH  
OTHER, BUT...



HAS SOME-  
THING...  
HAPPENED  
SINCE THEN?

"SOME-  
THING"  
?



APPROACH?  
APPROACH  
WHAT?

WHO  
DID?

Failure to Grasp  
the Conversation

WELL,  
LIKE...

SOMETHING  
LIKE AN  
APPROACH?



IF I DON'T SAY  
IT SO CLEARLY  
YOU REALLY  
WON'T GET  
IT?!

CEEZ!!

NAO-KUN,  
APPROACHING  
SHIHARU!!

APPROACH  
ROMANTI-  
CALLY!!

EHH?!



By Nao-kun—?!

Ehh—?!



That means he's probably got good intentions.

and I'm always making him angry.

No way— He's always being scolded by me.

I think he might hate me...

In fact,

This astronomical thick-headedness of Shiharus.

Nao-kun has got to be suffering huh—





HOLD ON,  
THAT  
REACTION...

EH!

FOR  
REAL?!



MA

MATSUNA-  
GA SAN?!

WHAT...

ABOUT  
HIM...?!



...EH?



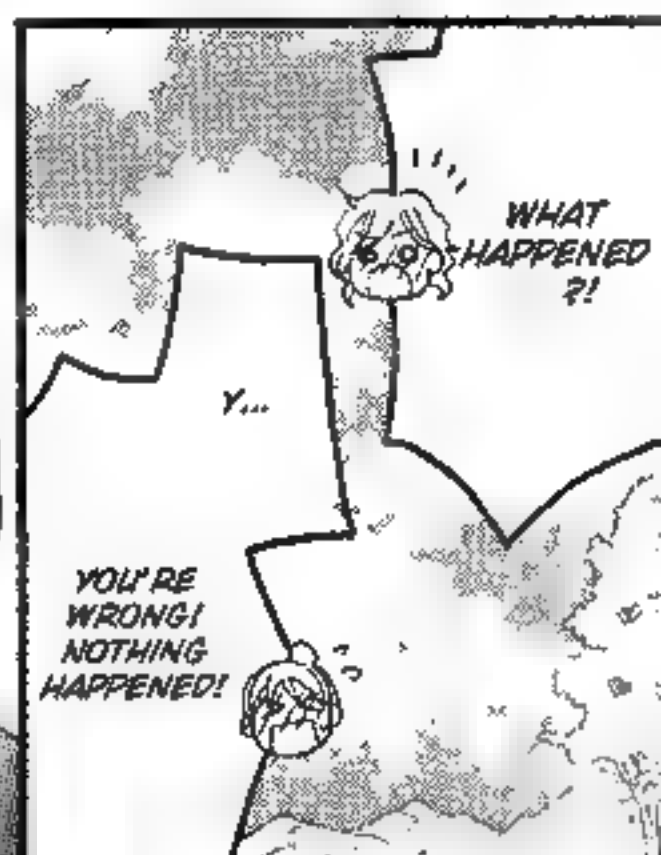
HAVEN'T  
SPENT  
MUCH  
TIME  
AROUND

OLDER  
MEN, SO...



RECENTLY

I'VE SOMEHOW  
BEEN A BIT...



WHAT  
HAPPENED  
?!

Y...

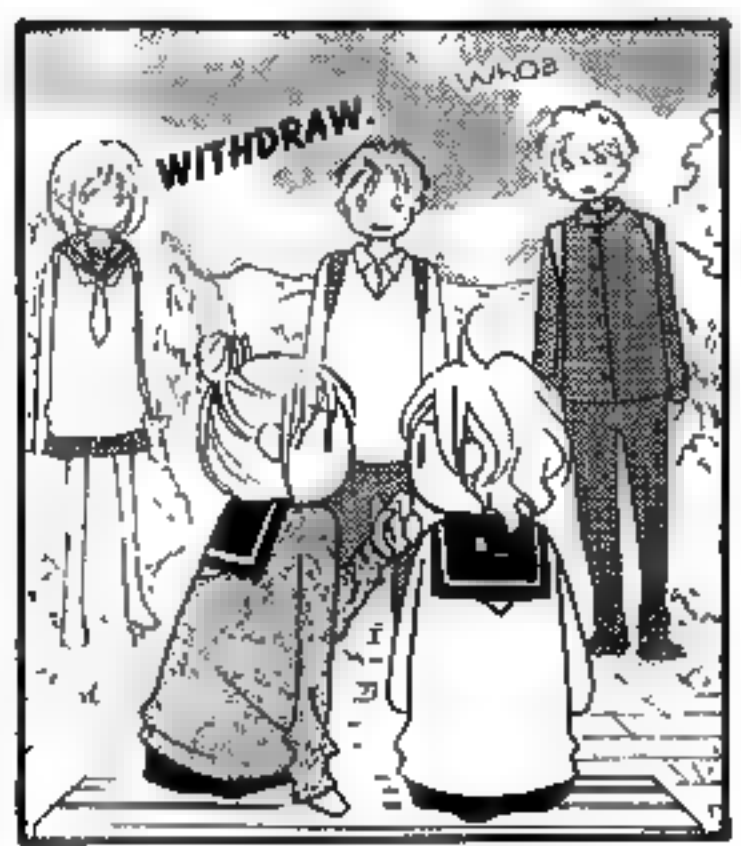
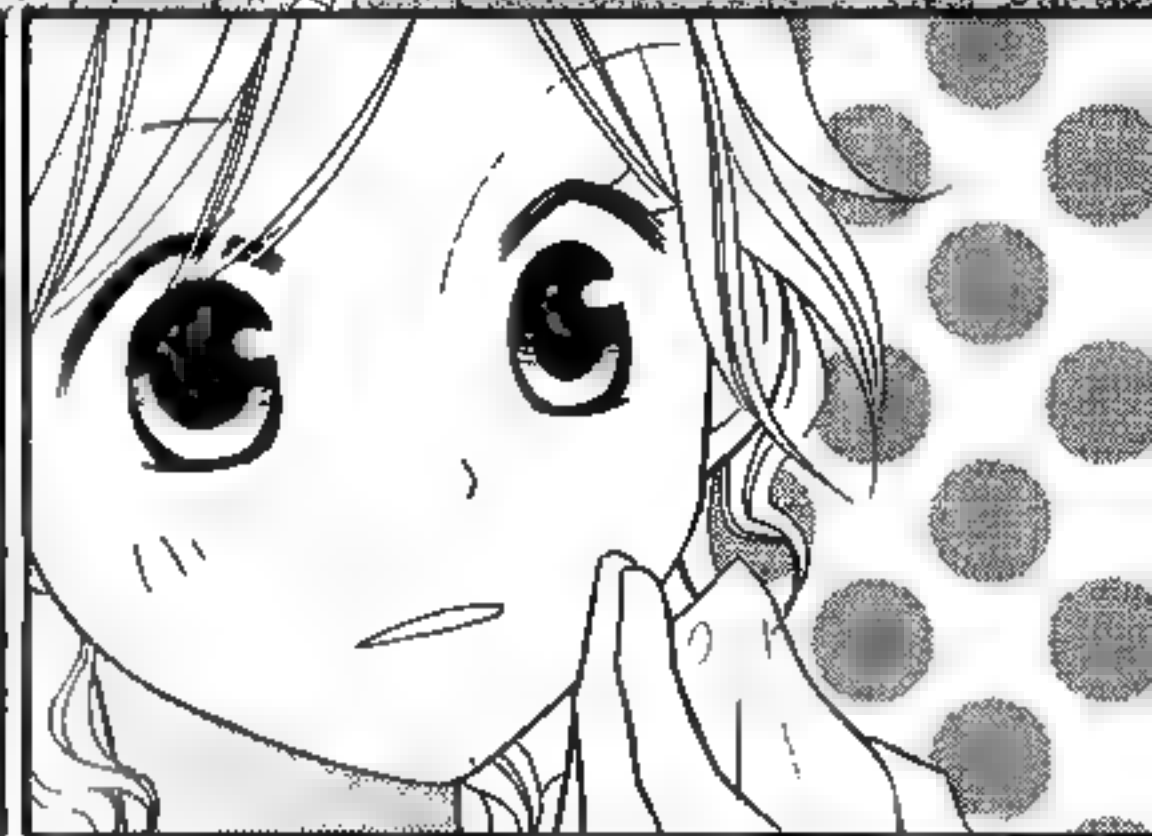
YOU'RE  
WRONG!  
NOTHING  
HAPPENED!

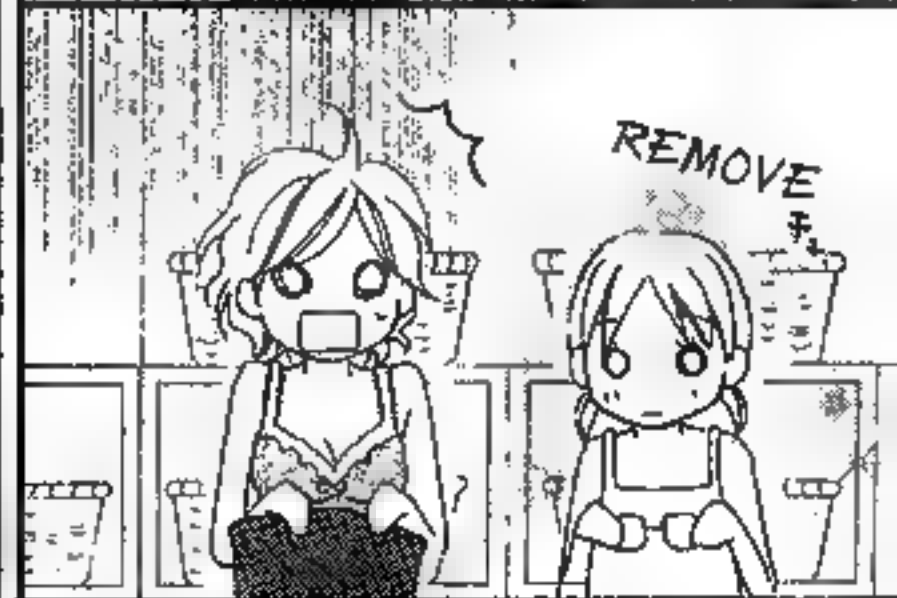
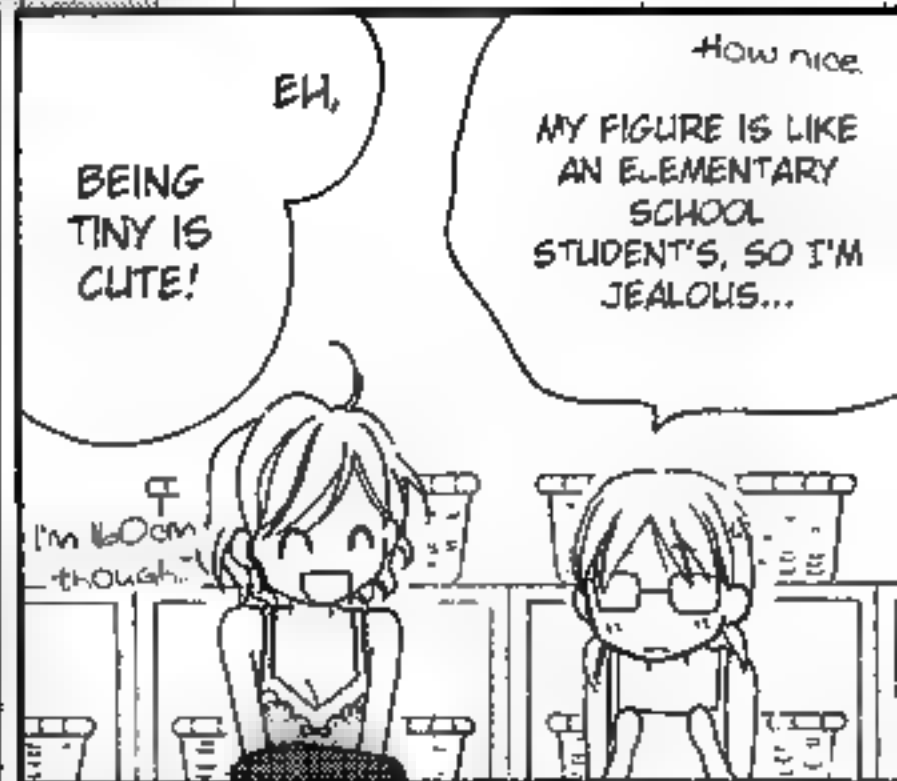


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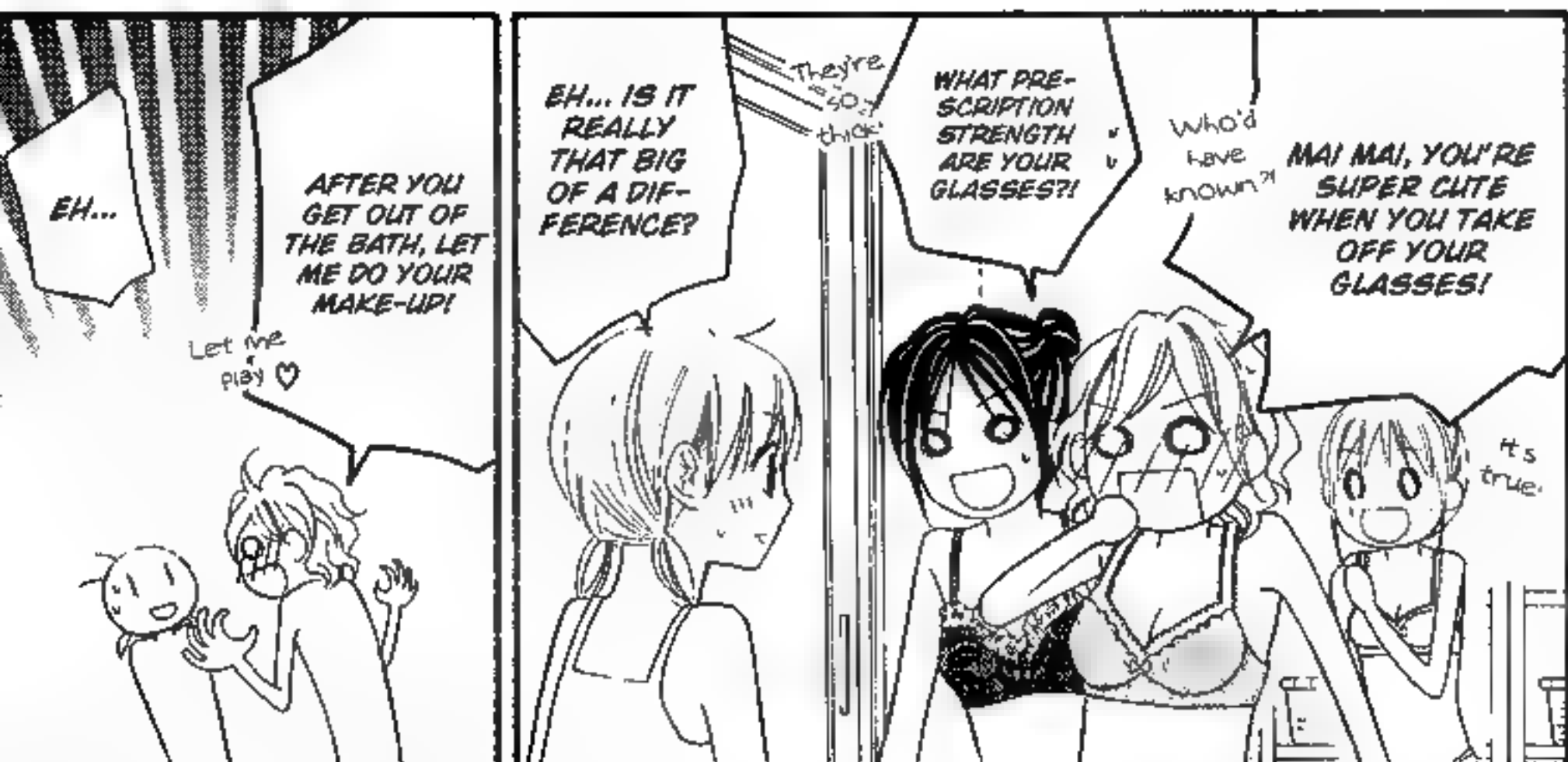
IT'S JUST,  
I...





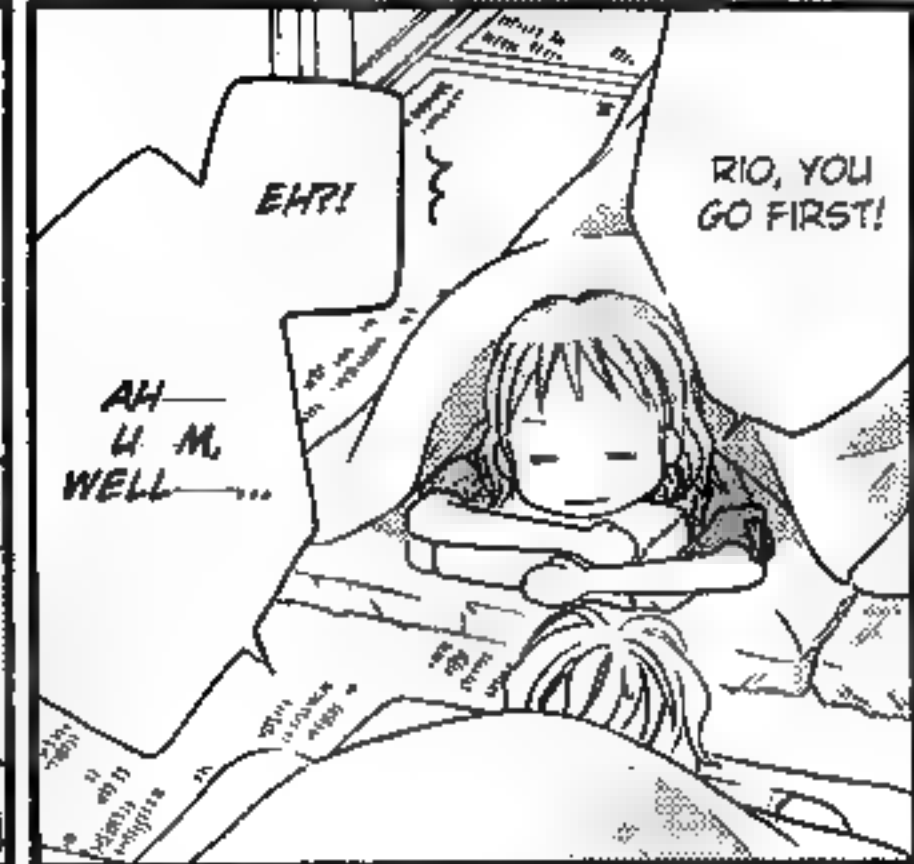


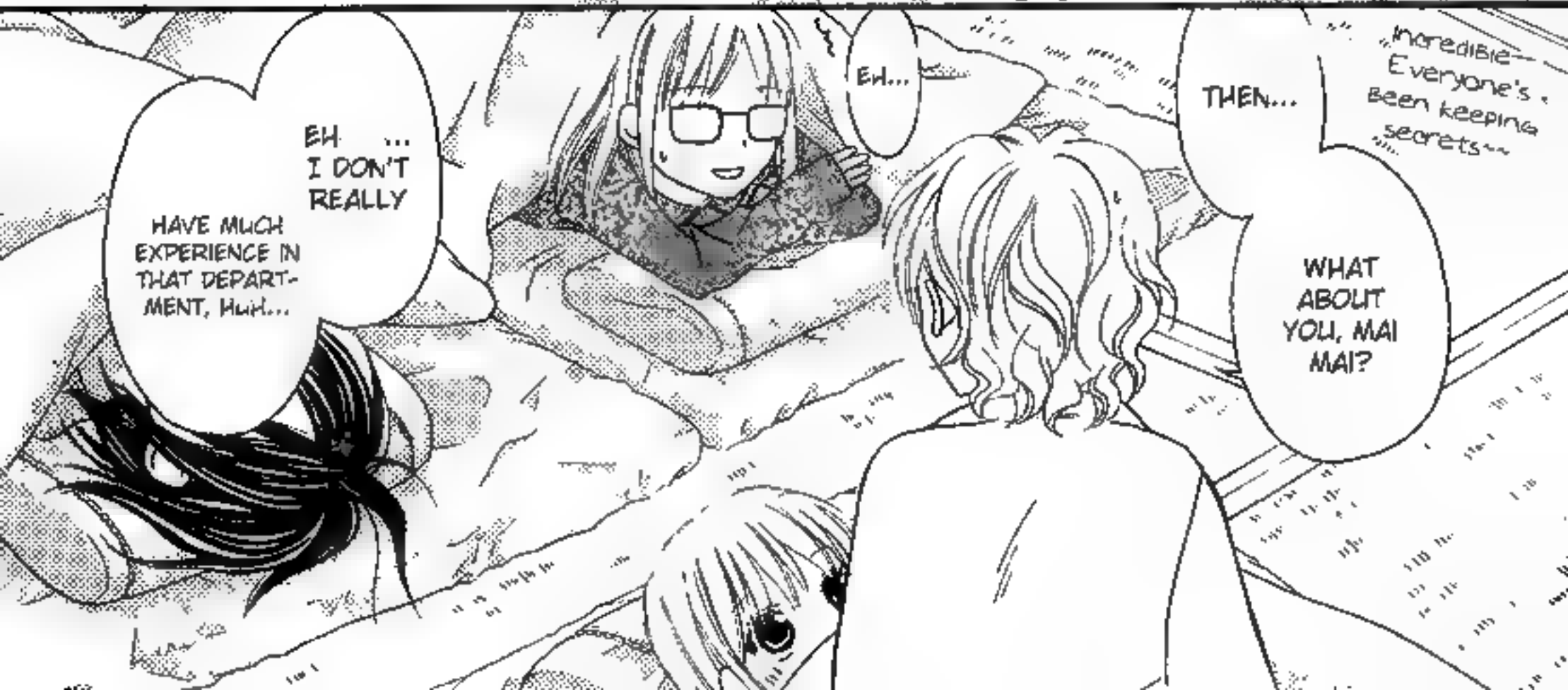
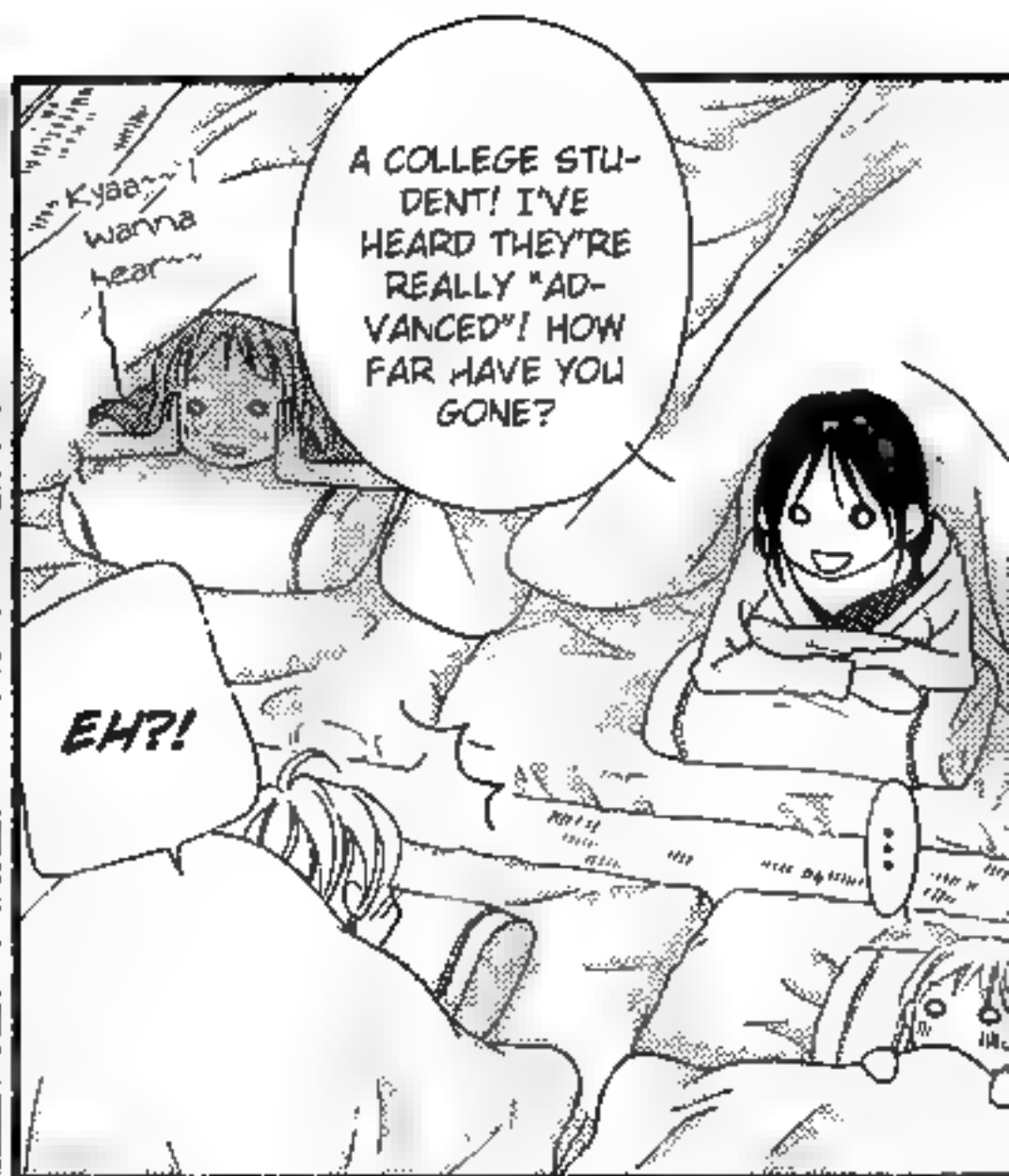
















WHEN I  
WAS IN  
MIDDLE  
SCHOOL.

I DATED A GIRL.

IT WAS  
ONLY ONCE,  
THOUGH.



IT'S NOT  
EXACTLY A  
LOVE  
STORY,  
BUT...

He was really  
tall, too.

THERE WAS A  
BOY THAT I  
REALLY LIKED,  
AND I ALWAYS  
BULLIED HIM  
AND STUFF...

AROUND THE  
TIME I WAS  
IN ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL,

DOES  
THAT  
COUNT?



I bet  
you've  
got a lot  
of them!

WHAT  
ABOUT  
YOU,  
YUKINA?

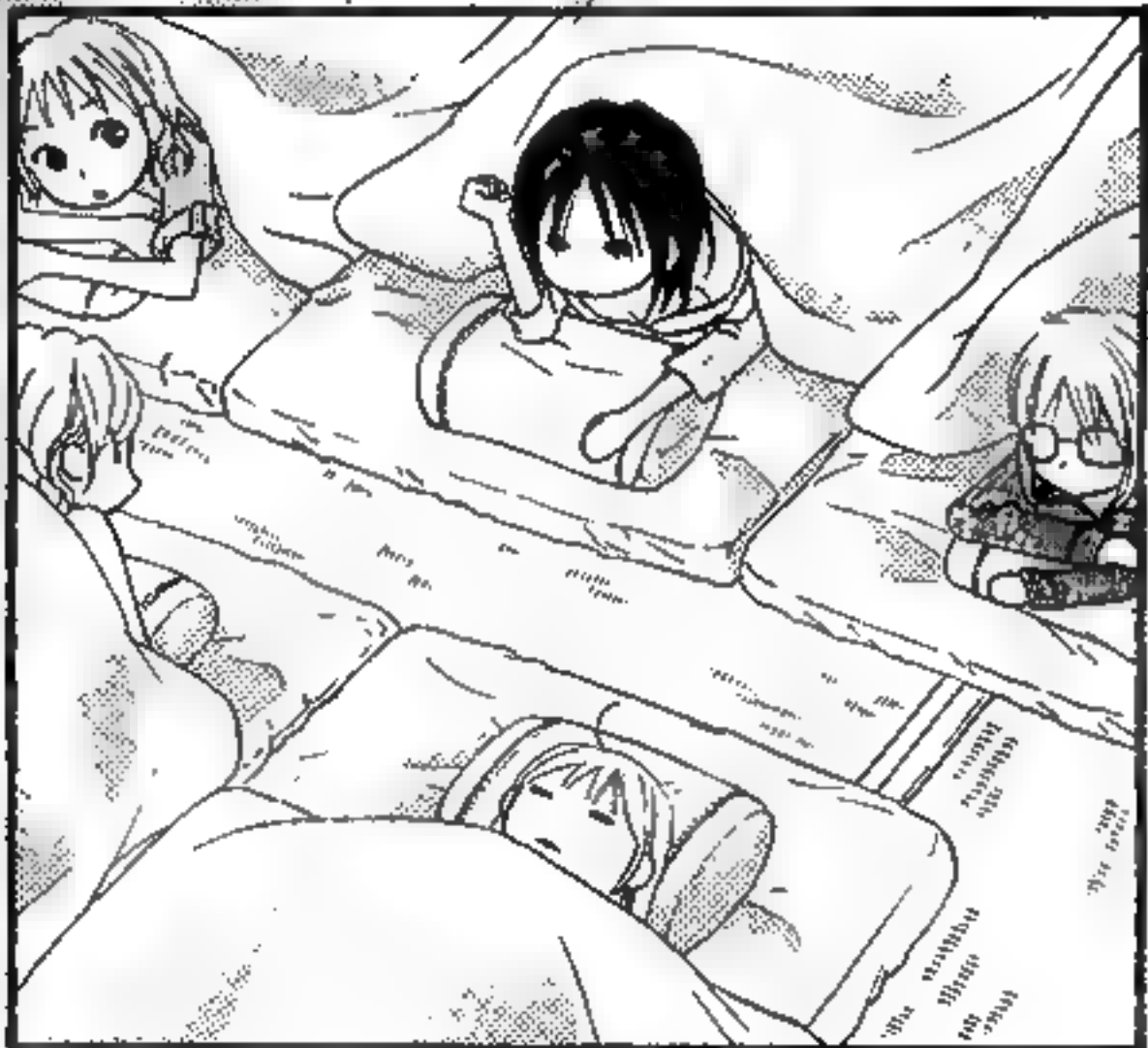
EHH, MAI  
MAI DID  
THAT?! I  
NEVER  
WOULD  
HAVE  
GUESSED

WMM,  
WELL

THIS ONE  
MIGHT BE  
OKAY



That's kind of  
incredible—!!



HOW ON EARTH CAN YOU BE A GIRL IN THE 2ND YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL?!

IT'S NO USE! I CAN'T THINK OF ANY!

Love story.  
Love story.  
H-m

H-m  
Love story.  
H-m

EH...

THEN, LAST IS SHIHARU, RIGHT?

EH...?  
U-m-m

NOT NECESSARILY RELATED TO LOVE,  
WHAT ABOUT A STORY ABOUT A TIME YOU FAILED AT SOMETHING?  
I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED...  
THEN...

SHIHARU, YOU SEEM LIKE THE TYPE WHO WOULD NORMALLY BE CONFESSED TO AND STUFF  
EH?!  
NO, NOT AT ALL!  
F...  
NO WAY!

FAILED AT SOMETHING...?  
IN THAT CASE... I HAVE ONE, BUT...



However.

One day, after I'd said "I'm all set with bags" at the register as usual.

That is, when I was in Elementary School I got into the habit of carrying Eco-bags around with me...

And so, I would always refuse the plastic bags that they offered at the register.

THEN...  
I'LL TELL A FAILURE STORY ABOUT ECO-BAGS...

Wah... Somehow I'm starting to get sleepy all of a sudden...

In the end, I went home carrying all of the items I'd purchase that day in my arms...

But, since I'd already collected the 'Eco Points' for bringing my own bag, I couldn't say "I need a bag, after all, please"...

I realized that I'd forgotten my Eco-bags at home—...

It's no big deal!  
NOW MAI MAI AND YUKINA HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP!

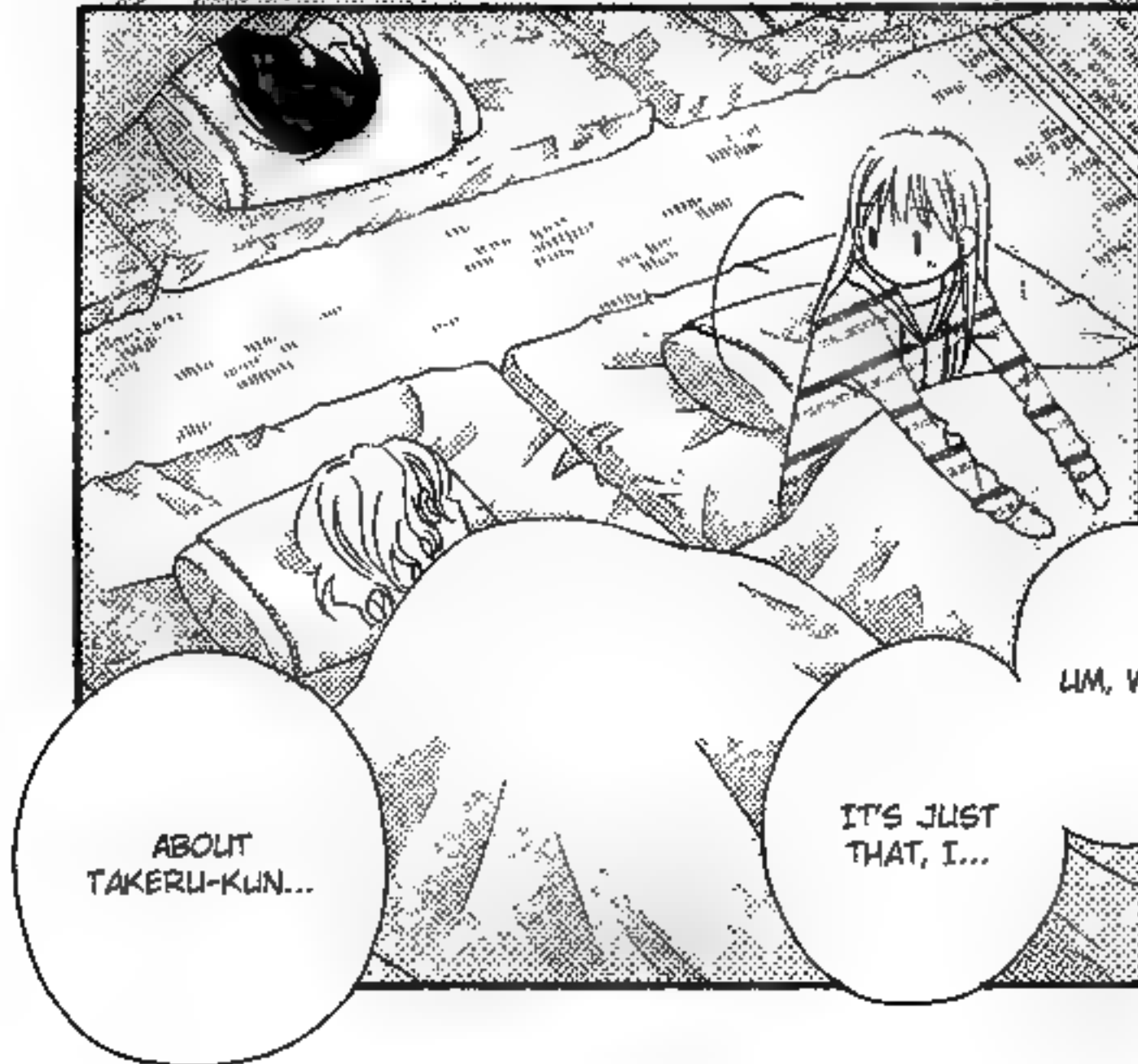
WHAT'S WITH THAT TAME STORY!

SHIHARU'S VOICE IS SOOTHING ME TO SLEEP...

ZZZ...  
I THINK THAT WAS A REAL FAILURE...

Even though they probably would have given me a bag if I'd asked.







Even once  
you start  
dating the  
person you  
like,

It's not all  
fun and  
games, is  
it...?

that can  
only be  
under-  
stood by  
the two of  
you...

feelings  
and so  
on

worries,  
and

There are  
a lot of

YEAH,  
I'M IN BED  
RIGHT  
NOW.

AH, HI,  
TAKERU-  
KUN...

Fu fu...

RISE

...





Night \* Before Bed

Recently, Akane-chan has become fond of the ears part of the rabbit towel. She falls asleep while touching it.

As for Aoi-kun, it seems to calm him down if you gently pat his back.

Twins Memo

Thinking of what will happen later, if I don't do anti-Nakamura-san training...

U-m...



So this was it, all along...!



Shiaru-tan not here...



It's from Nakamura-san.

VRR VRR VRR



Bunny-tan towel!

Ah!

The ears part...?

RABBIT TOWEL...?

Does she mean this...?







At least while you're on vacation.

From Nakamura Shiharu  
Subject Good Evening

Akane-chan and Aoi-kun are doing well, right? Hokkaido is very chilly. Please contact me at any time if the twins are fussy or misbehaving. I saw a fox today; I'll try to attach a photo. Please show it to the twins, too.  
-From Nakamura Shiharu-

-END-

The twins

Akane-chan and Aoi-kun

If the twins are fussy

Attached Photo



A Completely Blurry Yellow Thing

it's okay to forget about the two of them

and have fun...!

...That's a fox?



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# LOVE SO LIFE

DON'T  
READ ON  
MANGAFOX!

SUPPORT THE  
SCANLATORS

TRANSLATOR

ICARUSBRIDE

PROOFREADER

BLUETHUNDER

CLEANER

ZACK

TYPESETTER

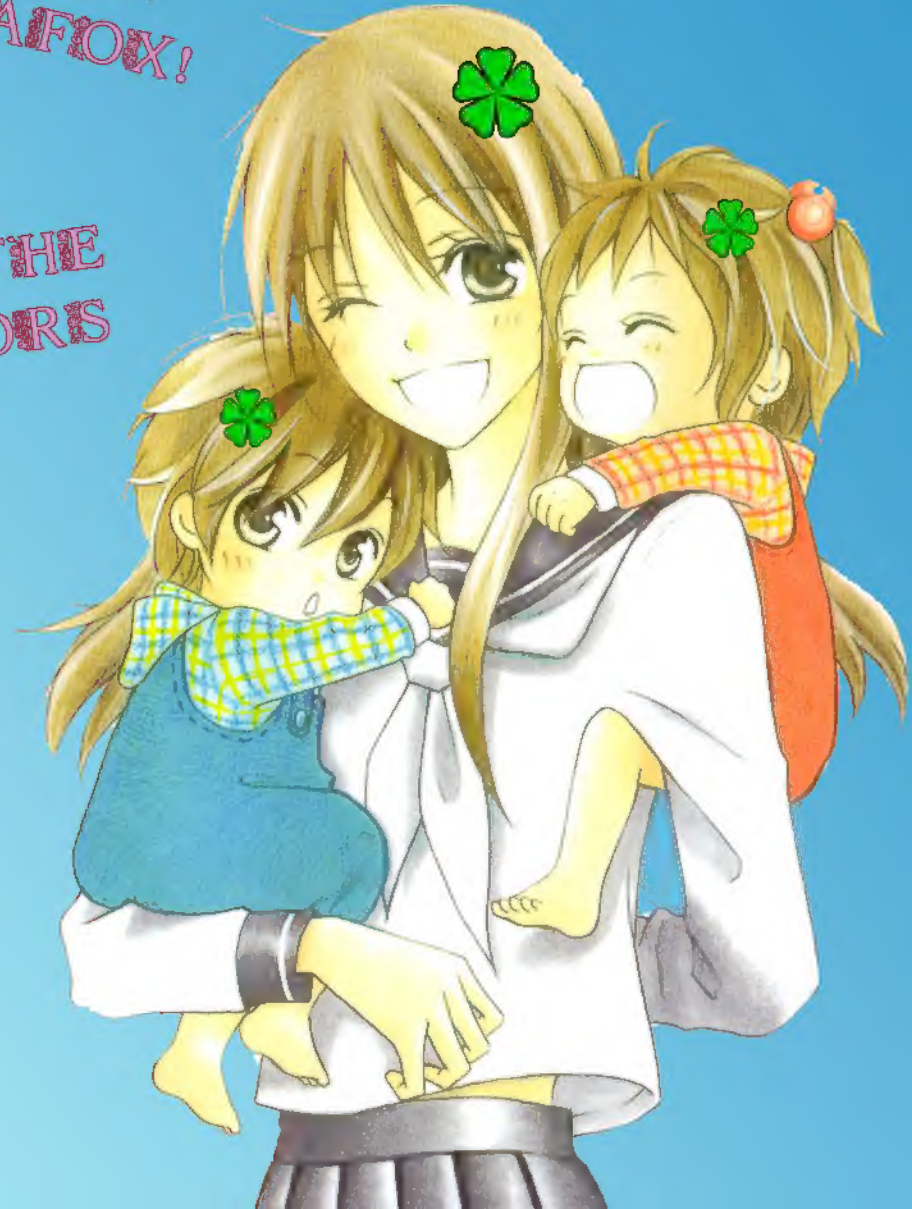
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